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## NAZI WAR OF NERVES NOW IN FULL BLAST

### Trying To Terrify Greece With Blitzkrieg Rumour

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

ZERO HOUR FOR EMBATTLED GREECE IS APPROACHING, AND FEW OBSERVERS IN SOFIA GIVE HER A FIGHTING CHANCE AGAINST THE GERMAN MILITARY MACHINE.

All observers concede that war is now only a hair's breadth away from the eastern Balkans, and declare that in the next few hours the entire south-eastern flank of Europe may again be aflame.

## TURKS MUST BE READY!

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A grim warning that all Turks must be prepared to fight, now that Germany is Turkey's neighbour, is published by the Istanbul newspaper "Yeni Sabah."

The warning appeared amid reports that an official reply has been drafted to Hitler's message to President Inonu.

IT APPEARS MORE THAN LIKELY THAT TURKEY WILL REJECT ANY GERMAN BID FOR ANKARA'S COOPERATION WITH THE AXIS.

Offer Rejected

A report from Ankara states that Turkey has rejected Hitler's offer of a non-aggression pact on the grounds that the pact was unnecessary in view of the fact that Turkey and Germany are not neighbours.

Meanwhile, Turkish military preparations are continuing along the border and in the Dardanelles. — International News Service.

## GREECE WILL REFUSE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

THE SEMI-OFFICIAL "HUNGARIAN NEWSPAPER," "PESTER LLOYD," SAYS IT UNDERSTANDS THAT THE GREEK GOVERNMENT WILL "POSITIVELY REFUSE A FORTHCOMING GERMAN OFFER" TO MEDIATE A GREECO-ITALIAN PEACE SETTLEMENT. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

## ITALIAN WARSHIP SUNK

AN ITALIAN COMMUNIQUE SAYS: "A WARSHIP OF MEDIUM TONNAGE SANK IN THE MEDITERRANEAN THROUGH UNKNOWN CAUSES. MOST OF THE CREW WERE SAVED."

The nationality of the warship is not mentioned but presumably it was Italian.

With hundreds of thousands of German troops in Bulgaria, with the Greek and Turkish borders now almost a solid mass of heavily armed men and military machines, and with Nazi or British domination of the entire Balkan Zone dependent on Greece, it was unanimously predicted in Sofia last night that Hitler would strike again before morning.

or every indication in the past 48 hours has been intentionally misleading regarding his plans.

A report from Belgrade came at the same time as the Sofia message stating that Germany was scheduled to attack Greece through the Yugoslavian frontier on Saturday.

Every preparation, it is suggested, has been made adds the report, and it seems the German High Command has made up its mind that Turkey will remain immobilized when the attack on Greece starts.

Meanwhile, Nazi press reports state that President Roosevelt offered Yugoslavia help in case of the latter's resistance and that the offer was turned down. — International News Service.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") THE STEFANI NEWS AGENCY HAS DENIED A REPORT OF THE POSSIBILITY OF A GREEK-ITALIAN ARMISTICE AND SAYS THAT GREECE MUST PAY THE PRICE FOR ACTS COMMITTED AGAINST ITALY. — INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE.

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") The Nazis are tightening their grip on German-held Bulgaria and are preparing rapidly for military action in the Balkans.

GERMAN TANKS AND MECHANISED FORCES CONTINUED TO POUR THROUGH SOFIA, GUIDED BY BULGARIAN DETACHMENTS.

Bulgaria has ordered the civil mobilization of all doctors, nurses and chemists and they have been ordered to be ready to join the army at a moment's notice.

German commanders have taken charge of railway stations in Sofia and other key Bulgarian centres. — International News Service.

Wilhelmstrasse Aids The Confusion

While Wilhelmstrasse officials (quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper "Basler Nachrichten") stressed that it will be some time before the German troops in Bulgaria are in a position to attack Greece, messages from Sofia, quoting neutral observers there, continue to suggest the Nazis may launch an offensive against Eastern Macedonia and Thrace within 48 hours.

Meanwhile, the only definite news is that the Germans are speeding up the entry of their forces into Bulgaria, while simultaneously the Bulgarian Council of Ministers has ordered the militarization of all workers in harbours and railways.

Fanwise Movement

Achilles German troop movements in Bulgaria are being carried out to the south and south-east, spread fanwise to the Macedonian front.

## YUGOSLAVIA'S VITAL ROLE IN BALKAN DRAMA

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT ARE MAKING THEIR VIEWS ON THE BALKAN SITUATION KNOWN THIS WEEK-END TO BRITAIN AND RUSSIA, WRITES REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

The correspondent adds that upon the contents of these communications, events in the coming week may depend.

Yugoslavia has an im-declared yesterday that portland role in the Balkan the Hungarian press is redrama as she occupies the views of German important strategical many.

position defending the Vardar Valley, which gives easy access to Salonika.

Germany may therefore be waiting to see the effects of their diplomatic pressure upon Yugoslavia before making any military moves themselves. — Reuter.

Turkish Verdict The Turkish newspapers yesterday expressed the opinion that Yugoslavia will defend any attack on her integrity and independence.

This view is reflected in the Beograd press. — British Wireless.

HUNGARY PLAYING NAZI STOGE An American observer who has just left Hungary

## BOMBERS FLOWN TO SINGAPORE

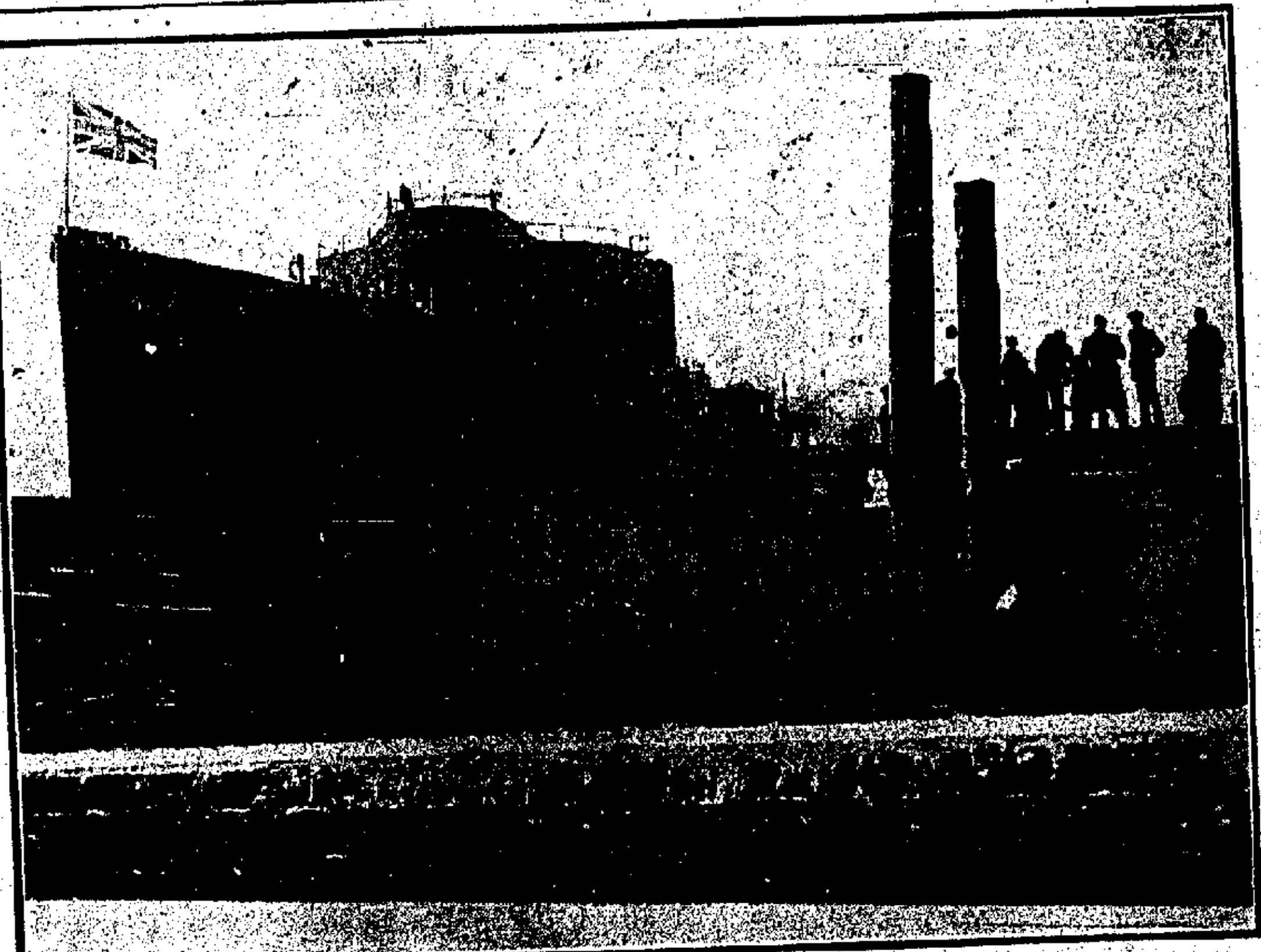
Large shipments of planes and aero-engines were made by the United States to different parts of the British Empire, including Malaya, during January, according to figures released in Washington.

Apparently, large bombers were flown across the Pacific to Singapore via Hawaii.

Ninety-three per cent. of United States aeronautical shipments in January went to the British Empire.

Fresh additions to the Fleet are leaving the slipways of all Naval Construction Yards each week, aircraft carriers, battlecruisers, cruisers and destroyers. Picture shows shipyard workers watching as one of Britain's latest cruisers is towed to her fitting-out berth after a launch from the slipway seen in the foreground.

DOWN THE SLIPWAY TO THE SEVEN SEAS



## YUGOSLAVIA CALLING UP MEN

Reuter's correspondent in Belgrade says that Yugoslavia is continuing to call up men for the Spring manoeuvres.

The correspondent stresses that the mobilisation is not by any means general "and probably does not affect more than half a million men."

## HANKOW OUTRAGE

SCORES NARROWLY MISSED DEATH OR SERIOUS INJURY WHEN THREE HAND GRENADES WERE THROWN AT A CROWDED BUS IN HANKOW BY UNIDENTIFIED PERSONS.

THE HUNGARIAN PRESS ALSO FALSELY REPORTED A BRITISH ULTIMATUM TO YUGOSLAVIA.

The news in Hungarian papers, he added, was similar to that which appeared in Rumanian and Bulgarian newspapers before the occupation of those countries. — British Wireless.

## ITALIANS HURLED BACK IN CENTRE

A BIG GREEK SUCCESS was recorded in an official communique broadcast over Athens radio yesterday.

The victory occurred on the central sector, where the Italians were dislodged from their positions.

The Greeks took 1,050 prisoners, including many officers, and abundant war material.

The Greek air force carried out many raids on enemy troop concentrations, all planes returning safely to base.

Italian prisoners confirm that the majority of the Italian people and army are at a loss to understand what they are gaining from the campaign.

They also give details of the heavy damage inflicted at Italian bases and concentration points by the raids of the R.A.F. and the Greek Air Force.

## INDO-CHINA PEACE

### Agreement To Be Initialled VICHY'S ASSENT EXPECTED TO-DAY

INITIALLING OF THE THAI-INDO-CHINA AGREEMENT, ENDING THE BORDER DISPUTE, IS VIRTUALLY CERTAIN TO TAKE PLACE TO-DAY, STATES A SEMI-OFFICIAL JAPANESE REPORT.

The report adds it is reliably reported that the Thai delegation has received final instructions from Bangkok. Instructions from Vichy are expected on Sunday, enabling the accord to be initialled on Sunday or at the latest Monday.

The Japanese Charge d'Affaires in Vichy is reported to have asked Vichy to send early instructions.

Meanwhile a Japanese report from Hanoi states that Admiral Decoux has issued an order to prevent a renewal of border hostilities following a request by Major-General Sumita, head of the Japanese mission in Indo-China. — Reuter.

Twenty-four hours after the expiration of the twice prolonged armistice between Thai and Indo-China, quiet prevailed along the border, Japanese reports stated last night.

Japan appears to be trying to secure economic control of both Thailand and Indo-China. The Tokyo "Nichi-Nichi" declared yesterday that foreign influence must be driven out of economic life there and trade given to Japan.

British Comment

Regarding reports received from Tokyo that the Japanese Government expects the signature early next week of the terms of the Thailand-French Indo-China settlement, it is felt in London.

Whether or not the settlement will prove to be a lasting one, providing a genuine and enduring improvement in relations between Thailand and France, is a matter which can only be proved by results.

It continues to be the earnest wish of Britain that peaceful and friendly relations should be firmly established. — British Wireless.

## HITLER'S HOPES DOOMED

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Administration leaders in Washington intimated yesterday that they expected the Lend-Lease Bill to be passed by the Senate by a large majority before evening.

IN THE ELEVEN-HOUR SESSION ON FRIDAY NIGHT, THE BACK OF THE BILL OF GETTING THE BILL THROUGH WAS BROKEN, AND THE ISOLATIONISTS WERE OVERWHELMINGLY DEFEATED ON EVERY AMENDMENT OF IMPORTANCE.

Senate leaders are now satisfied that the Bill will be passed without any restrictions that would hamper President Roosevelt in giving effective aid to Britain. — International News Service.

Woman's Comment

During the debate on the Lend-Lease Bill in the U.S. Senate, a woman Senator made a firm attack on the proposed amendments.

She declared: "I have two sons in the army and I believe they will be much safer if we do not amend the Bill. I vote we leave the Bill as it is."

The overwhelming defeat of the isolationist amendments to the Lend-Lease Bill in the Senate on Friday was hailed by the New York "Herald-Tribune" yesterday as showing a trend to real national unity in the United States. — Reuter.

## FOUR NAZI BOMBERS DESTROYED

One of four German bombers brought down off the East Coast yesterday came to grief after attacking a fishing trawler.

The plane made several machine-gun attacks on the trawler and, in a final swoop, the pilot misjudged the distance, one wing striking the vessel's mast.

The wing was torn off and the enemy bomber, after turning, crashed into the sea and was not seen again.

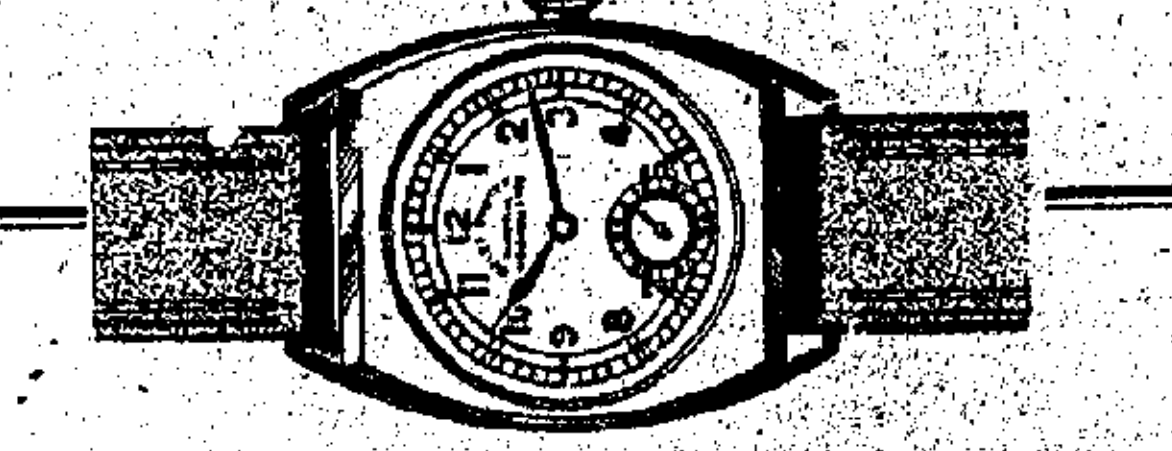
A fourth Nazi bomber was shot down into the sea off Scotland. The crew are believed to have been drowned. — British Wireless.

ANOTHER RAID ON MALTA

Malta experienced another enemy air raid on Friday, it was announced yesterday.

No material damage to R.A.F. property or material was caused and several enemy planes were damaged by anti-aircraft fire. — British Wireless.

One British plane returning from a reconnaissance raid (says Reuter) was shot down.



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SALES



Pretending to be workmen sent to repair the drainpipe, two robbers gained entrance to No. 32 Nanking Street at 7 a.m. yesterday, bound the occupants and escaped with jewellery, valued at \$293, and \$600 in Chinese National currency.

A bracelet, valued at \$100, was lost by Miss O. Archangelsky, of No. 169, Boundary Street, while travelling on a bus from her residence to the Peninsula Hotel on Friday night.

**TWO OF THE HEAVIEST RAIDS WERE AGAINST THE NAVAL DOCKS AT WILHELMSHAVEN (LASTING SEVERAL HOURS) AND COLOGNE.**

Other objectives were Emden, the port of Lorient, naval barracks at Boulogne, Brest and Calais docks and Rotterdam harbour.

There have been many daylight sweeps over the Channel. Northern France, Holland and north-west Germany and night attacks on aerodromes by R.A. fighters in which several German aircraft were destroyed or damaged.—Reuter.

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The aircraft which had attacked the supply vessel flew on to Den Helder, where they dropped their remaining bombs on the dockyard. They exploded in the naval harbour, where there was a considerable quantity of shipping.

Another reconnaissance bomber

Whilst travelling on a bus last night, Mr. Dennis Montalto, of No. 74, Waterloo Road, discovered that his wallet had been extracted from his hip pocket. A Chinese passenger was detained by the Police.

# GESTURE

FROM APRIL 1, 10 PER CENT. OF THE MONEY RECEIVED FOR THE PROVISION OF AIRCRAFT WILL BE DEVOTED TO BENE-

**ANZACS CONFER**

**THE CHIEFS OF STAFF OF NEW ZEALAND'S ARMY, NAVY, AND AIR FORCE ARRIVED AT SYDNEY YESTERDAY BY AIR.**  
Major-General Dugan declared that the object of the visit was to confer with Australian defence chiefs on the general aspects of defence co-ordination.—Reuter.

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Japanese Military Road Builders Active

## Come To Stay Atmosphere Over Border

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

INCREASED ACTIVITY BY THE JAPANESE FORCES, CONSTRUCTING MOTOR ROADS AND ERECTING A STRONG DEFENCE SYSTEM IN THE TERRITORY BETWEEN NAMTAU AND BIAS BAY, IS REPORTED BY THE "SUNDAY HERALD" BORDER CORRESPONDENT.

Japanese motor traffic can now travel from Taiping, near Bocca Tigris, through Namtau, Shumchun and Tamshui to the shores of Bias Bay.

## Cat And The Canary

The enforced Japanese settlement of the Indo-China-Thailand dispute roused some New York newspapers to scathing comment yesterday.

The "Herald-Tribune" pictures Japan turning to America "like a tom-cat with its whiskers full of canary feathers to insist that because the bird did not resist it is no business of ours."

The newspaper adds that insomuch as Tokyo's "victory" vindicates anything it is a great "VINDICATION FOR INTERNATIONAL RACKETEERING AND ANOTHER H.B.A.V. CHARGE AGAINST JAPAN TO BE EXACTED WITH INTEREST WHEN WE BEGIN FOR INTER-NATIONAL DECENCY." — REUTER.

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International Women's Day was commemorated yesterday by the majority of local girls' schools and colleges, and Chinese women's organisations.

A mass meeting was held at Caroline Hill and despite the rain, over 2,000 representatives turned out.

## UP AND UP

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Minister of Labour, speaking to miners in Durham yesterday, said that in spite of enemy attacks on our factories and workshops, production was up every day and deliveries were proceeding faster.

Wide roads between land points on the shores of Bias Bay and interior towns are being constructed day and night, while other paths are being widened for mechanised transport.

The Japanese have assembled some 1,000 military trucks at Namtau and are laying telephonic wires from Bias Bay to the Pearl River Delta.

## Troop Transfers

Strong defences are being constructed between Shumchun and Tamshui, while the Japanese forces along the border have been slightly reduced by transfers to garrison areas between Tamshui and Shumchun.

Chinese guerrillas continue to harass the Japanese garrisons during the night, and have accounted for some casualties among the Japanese.

## LARCENY BY TRICK

Chan Ming, 45, Chu Ming, 38, and Cheung Ki, 24, were charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday morning, with larceny from Mrs. Chan Lai-king, of No. 12, Yik Yam Street, by means of a trick on January 23.

It was stated that some \$1,535 in money and jewellery was involved.

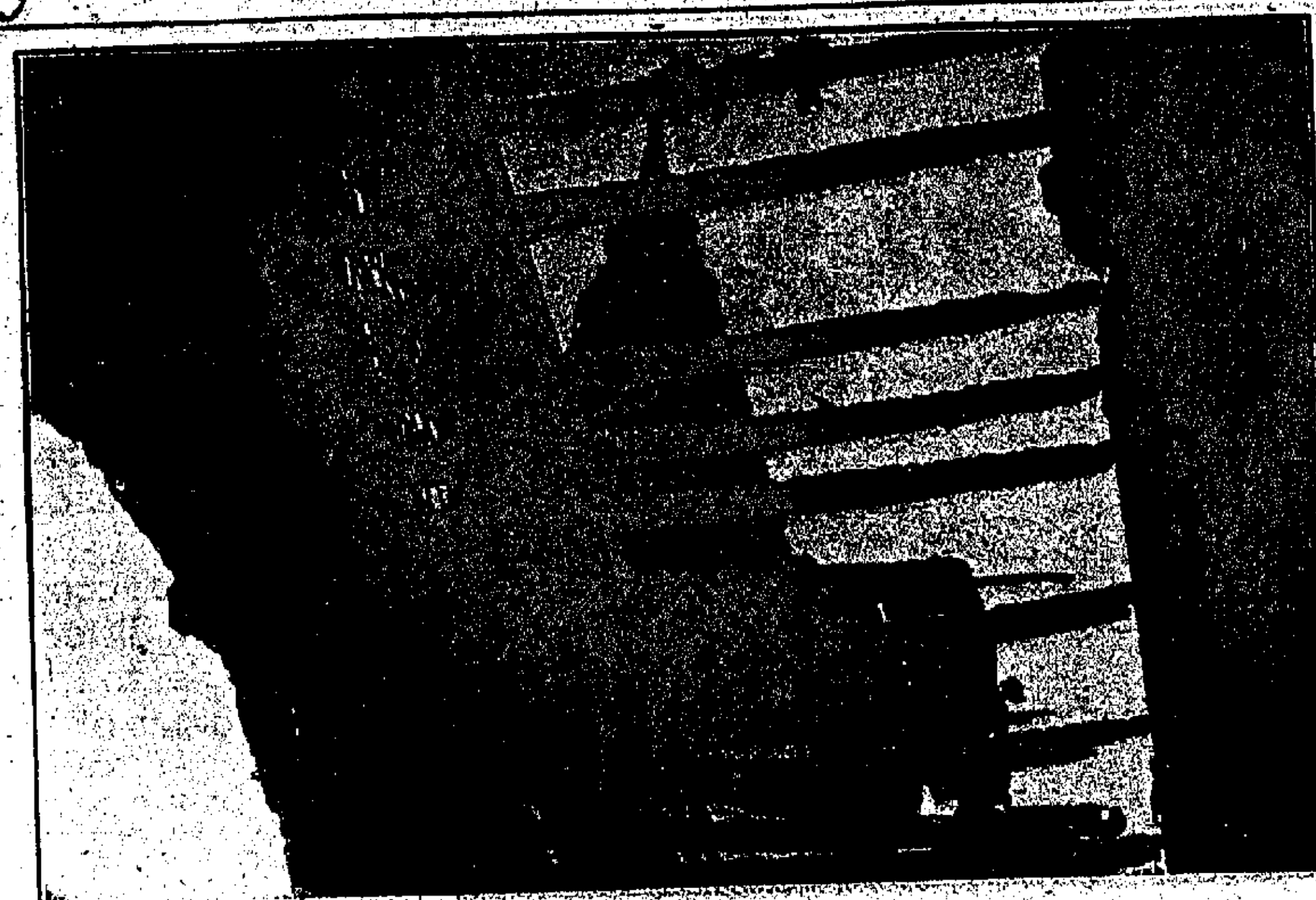
Defective Sergeant V. Morrison asked for a remand of 72 hours, which was granted.

The defendants were allowed bail of \$1,000 each.

## 40,000 ITALIANS REACH INDIA

A message from Bombay states that with fresh arrivals, the total number of Italian prisoners in India now total more than 40,000 men. — British Wireless.

Mr. T. J. Houston has been appointed District Officer, North, in the place of Mr. J. Barrow.



The famous church of St. Bride's in Fleet Street, was among the many historic buildings that suffered damage during the "five blitz" on London. Photo shows the steeple of St. Bride's towering above the gutted roof of the church itself. (Copyright, Fox Photo.)

## MEDICAL MOBILISATION IN BULGARIA

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

Doctors, nurses and chemists have been advised to be ready at a moment's notice to serve, according to a message from Sofia.

The railway stations have been taken over by Nazi officials while traffic policemen in the streets are being assisted by Nazi troops. — International News Service.

## CENTENARY STAMPS SUPPLIES

A fresh supply of Special Centenary Hong Kong Postage Stamps arrived in Hong Kong yesterday and these will be available for the general public this week, the "Sunday Herald" was officially informed yesterday.

Four and five cent denominations have not been obtainable for some days having been sold out in the first few days, after the stamps were issued for sale on February 28. Dealers have been asking and getting as much as 30 cents for a 4 cent stamp.

Included in the fresh consignment, however, are four and five cent stamps and collectors will be able to obtain full sets in the coming week.

## NIGHT-SOIL GUILD SUBMITS A NEW PETITION

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

A NEW PETITION by members of the Luen Yip Labour Guild claiming representation for some 2,000 night-soil removal coolies, has been forwarded to His Excellency the Acting Governor, in connection with the proposed night-soil removal scheme of the Urban Council.

The petition was sent to His Excellency-in-Council on Friday through Mr. M. A. da Silva, solicitor, the petitioners claiming to have been authorised in the matter by over 2,000 signatures of night-soil workers.

The petition states that night-soil workers in the Colony total some 3,600, who have dependents and families numbering in all over 10,000, whose livelihood will be affected by the institution of the proposed scheme.

The petition states that the night-soil workers have been carrying out the existing arrangements for 100 years and that during this period, "a system and method had been introduced in internal arrangements as between the night-soil workers themselves, whereby the welfare of the workers, as well as the welfare of their families and dependents were provided for."

"Provision had also been made even for those who, by reason of old age or ill-health, were unable to continue to work and to earn for their own and their dependents' support."

## Graduation Class

"This provision for the aged or sick workers had been effected under guild control by way of these workers engaging younger workers at a wage which still yielded a fair return to the active workers and which at the same time ensured a liveable income to these 'retired' workers, a very necessary arrangement in view of the fact that these workers had been engaged for the most part of their lives in the night-soil work and have no other occupation or source of income."

The petition says that under the government scheme, these "retired" workers are entirely unprovided for and would therefore be completely destitute, if the scheme were adopted.

## Income Levels

Comparing the incomes of the workers, the petitioners claim that under existing arrangements, each active worker earns an average of from \$30 to \$40 monthly, whereas the proposed scheme envisages a monthly wage of only \$16 for each worker, thus necessitating a reduction of about 50 per cent in the monthly earnings of each night-soil worker. "This will inflict a considerable hardship on a not inconsiderable number of inhabitants of this Colony."

The petition concludes: "Since the main purpose of the scheme is the introduction of more sanitary methods into the night-soil removal, such main purpose can be as readily effected by Government control or supervision by employment of Government foremen or supervisors and the use of more sanitary buckets or canisters at a reasonable cost, such cost to be defrayed or met by a direct contribution in some form or other from the night-soil workers."

The petitioners add that public health records will definitely show that cholera and other diseases alleged to be attributable to insanitary methods of night-soil

## The Credit For China

NEGOTIATIONS ARE PROGRESSING SATISFACTORILY FOR A TRIPARTITE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN GREAT BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES AND CHINA, TO CO-ORDINATE AND ADMINISTER BRITISH AND UNITED STATES CREDITS TO THE CHINESE STABILISATION FUND, IT IS LEARNED IN LONDON.

The British and Chinese authorities are also holding conversations about Britain's \$5,000,000 export credit to China, the implementation of which has been delayed by

Firstly, the desire to link the credit with the Tripartite Stabilisation Agreement and, Secondly, the British stipulation that the funds can only be used for Chinese purchases in the stipulated area which cannot at present, easily secure war materials for China's needs. — Reuter.

## CONSTABLE CHARGED

Indian Police constable, B664, Kartar Singh, attached to Central Police Station, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday, with obstructing a Revenue Officer at the Tung On Wharf, with failing to comply with the Revenue Officer's requisition; and with misconduct, by failing to comply with the lawful requisition.

It was alleged that accused requested to allow Revenue Officer Chan Tai-hung to examine the contents of three bottles which he was carrying on Friday.

It was suspected that the bottles contained dutiable spirit.

The case was adjourned to Tuesday.

## FURTHER CHOLERA CASES

Three fresh cases of cholera — all from Victoria — were notified to the Health Authorities on Friday, bringing the total for this year to 43 cases.

Besides cholera there were 18 cases of tuberculosis, six of dysentery, two of diphtheria and one of typhoid.

## ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENT

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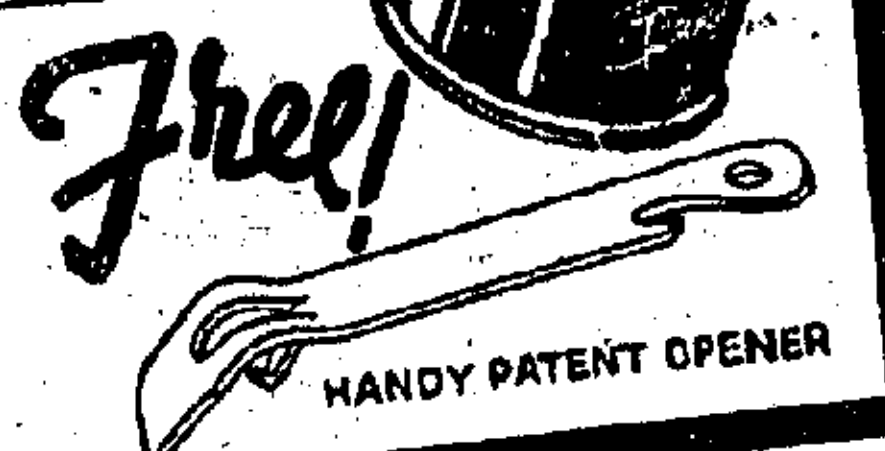
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# NINE-MILE ROAD FOR LANTAU

## Part Of Scheme To Attract People From Slums



A general view of the scene at St. John's Hall, University, where a bazaar organised by the H.K. Branch of the National Association for the Promotion of the New Life Movement, was held yesterday and is continuing to-day.

## H.K. WAR TAX ANOMALIES: CHINESE SHARE

HONG KONG'S WAR taxation, says a comment in the March issue of "St. John's Review," has produced a considerable sum of money, but it is chiefly derived from salaried employees and from the bigger business organisations.

The registered Chinese firms have contributed less than one million dollars which is not commensurate with the extent of the business in Chinese hands.

The difficulty arises from the different social systems which prevail in this part of the world. The Chinese regard the family as the most important and the most efficient unit in the social life, and centralised government more or less as a necessary evil.

This means that the family does not look to its government for anything except a measure of protection. It assumes responsibility for its members in education, in old age, in sickness and in poverty. It provides its own social services and, therefore, as it expects little, it sees no reason for contributing much in the way of taxes.

### Community Problems

It believes that in this way the maximum amount of effort is secured from the individual and the maximum supervision is exercised over its expenditure. It is a social system which is suited to a rural economy, but it fails when applied to urban areas, where community problems arise on a big scale.

In the city there are many who do not have family protection. Then public health becomes an urgent matter; the success of industry and commerce depends on education, and the protection of life and property against the internal disturber of the peace must be provided for at public expense. Murder, kidnapping and robbery become the order of the day when the man of property has not adequate protection. Then the bigger problem of defence against the possible external enemy must be met.

### Penalty Of Neglect

The penalty for neglecting to pay these community charges is the loss of all property when the testing time comes, and the state finds itself unprepared.

It may be that in Hong Kong a considerable volume of business is done by firms whose profits do not amount to more than ten thousand dollars a year, but it is easy for the larger firms to split up into smaller units to see that the smaller non-taxable profit is not exceeded, and still keep within the law.

What is wanted is a training in citizenship through the schools in order to bring home to everyone the necessity for the services which the community as such renders and the creation of a faith in the ability of the government to provide them.

### Narrow Loyalty

What is certain is that the narrow loyalty to the family must yield to something wider, for what was adequate for a rural China is not sufficient for a modern state.

The Government has now got a clear picture of the incidence of the new taxation and with this data the war tax committee will see where the shoe is not pinching. It will not be easy to find a solution to this problem, but one will have to be found. Our American salaried friends, for example, cannot be left under the impression that they are more heavily taxed than the millionaire. The British salaried man doesn't count. He is accustomed to, or perhaps he will have to get accustomed to being severely taxed.

## Census Planned For This Week

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

Street-sleepers are to be included in the semi-official census of Hong Kong's population to be taken during Thursday and Friday nights by 3,500 Air Raid Wardens.

Each warden has been allotted a certain number of houses and it will be his duty to obtain all necessary information from the occupants of the houses in his area.

If the Wardens are unable to complete their tasks during the two nights, they will continue on following nights until they have completely covered the areas allotted them.

Only a record of those who actually sleep on the premises will be chronicled.

The particulars required of each house (to be completed in the English language by the Warden) are the tenant's name, race, number of persons, and age.

## FREE FOR ALL IN N.T.

Uniformed and plain-clothes police were rushed from Ping Shan Police Station in the New Territories on Friday night to quell a free-for-all among some workers in the factory of the Cathay Ceramic Company, Castle Peak Road.

The police received the call at about 8.30 p.m. and on arrival found the men, divided into two groups, engaged in a battle royal, using iron bars, poles and pieces of wood.

The men were disarmed and an ambulance was summoned to take four of the injured to hospital.

Ten workers, alleged ringleaders, were taken into custody. The trouble seems to have developed from a meeting of two workers on a narrow path. Neither would give way for the other to pass and the quarrel between them developed into a free-for-all.

## TACKLING THE INCENDIARY BOMB

Demonstrations to teach members of the public how to deal with incendiary bombs with material usually available in households are to be undertaken in the Colony, the "Sunday Herald" was authoritatively informed yesterday.

The mobile exhibitions showing how to obscure and screen lights may be extended to other parts of the Colony.

### FUMIGATION

The new scale of charges for fumigation and disinfection of shipping in Hong Kong, published in the "Government Gazette" on February 21, will be enforced from the beginning of next month.

## Bus Service Eventually

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

PUSHING AHEAD WITH Government's scheme for Village Settlements on the southern shores of Lantau Island and in the Hebe Haven area of Port Shelter, a group of experts will leave for Lantau Island to-morrow to demarcate the actual sites of the proposed settlements.

With the cooperation of the District Watch Committee, it is hoped to induce 5,000 people to migrate to the Island from the slum areas of the Central and Western Districts.

The Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, stated yesterday that the group leaving for Lantau Island to-morrow will stay for two days selecting sites for settlements, for a Medical Administration Hut and a Reception Hut.

The Reception Hut will house the first batch of 200 persons, pending erection by themselves of their own dwellings on the lines of those constructed at the Tai Hang Squatters' Camp at Jardine's Look-Out.

Building of the official huts will commence almost immediately, including the laying on of water supplies.

### Nine-Mile Road

Investigation will also be made into the possibility of constructing a road from the northern end of Silver Mine Bay to Man Tim in order that the occupants of the settlements as far as Shek Pik may obtain ready access to the ferry service from Silver Mine Bay to Hong Kong and Kowloon.

As the crow flies, this proposed road will be at least nine miles in length. Eventually, a bus service will be instituted to serve this road and there may be other mechanised transport for the benefit of the settlers.

### Port Shelter

As regards the Hebe Haven neighbourhood of Port Shelter, the Hon. Dr. Selwyn-Clarke stated that preliminary work is being done concurrently.

It is hoped to get at least 5,000 people to migrate to Lantau Island.

Every effort will be made to attract settlers to go there voluntarily, and the offer is being canvassed with the cooperation of the District Watch Committee, through the Family Settlement Sub-Committee, headed by Mr. Li Jowson.

## ALLEGED FRAUD ATTEMPT

ALLEGED TO HAVE DEMANDED \$100 WITH A FORGED LETTER FROM A CHINESE WOMAN, SIN HUNG, 25, A MUSICIAN, APPEARED BEFORE MR. D. J. N. ANDERSON AT THE KOWLOON MAGISTRATE'S COURT YESTERDAY.

Det.-Sgt. C. Dowman said that the police were asking that accused be committed for trial.

It was stated that the woman who had been regularly receiving letters once a week from her husband in Shanghai, found a letter, sent through the post, lying on the floor near the door. She became suspicious because the letter was written in Chinese ink with a Chinese pen, and the words on the envelope, originally written with pen and ink, had been traced over with Chinese ink.

The letter instructed her to hand \$100 to a man who would call on her. She reported the matter to the police.

The following afternoon, accused called and represented himself as the man who had been instructed by her husband to collect the money.

Accused produced a card, alleged to have been sent to him by complainant's husband. She told him to wait until her daughter came home because the money was in her daughter's possession.

Meanwhile, the woman had sent her son to Kowloon City Police Station and accused was arrested.

The case was adjourned.

## FOUND IN TAIKOO FACTORY

Wu Kon, 21, was fined \$200, or three months' hard labour, by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., yesterday, for a breach of the Defence Regulations.

Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin said defendant was found in a protected area—the Taikoo Sugar Refinery Conveyor Belt Room.

Accused told the Court that he went to look for a friend, and while waiting for him, fell asleep.

## POWERS OF FOOD CONTROLLER EXTENDED

The powers of the Food Controller under the Defence Regulations have now been extended to cover animals on the hoof, by addition of the phrase "and also every living thing capable of being consumed as food."

## DISCS FOR A.R.P. SHELTERS

[SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD"]

It is proposed to issue special Discs to all those who may take cover in Government-erected A.R.P. shelters and tunnels, the "Sunday Herald" reliably learns.

On each disc will be inscribed the place and number of the Shelter or Tunnel, to which the holder will have to proceed in the event of an emergency. This it was pointed out, will not only facilitate the work of A.R.P. Wardens in guiding people to shelters, or tunnels, but will also contribute to the prevention of panic and confusion among the populace.

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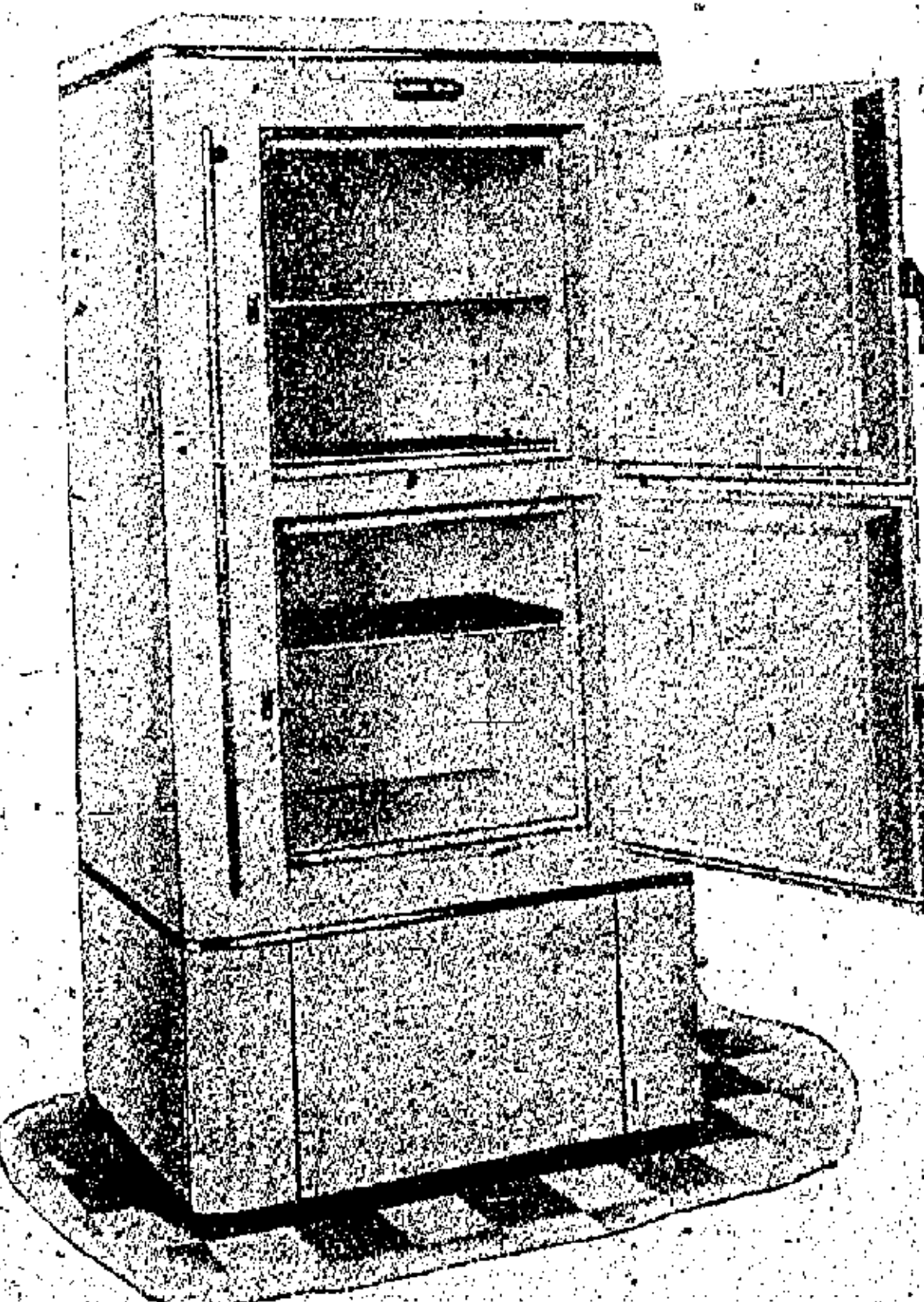
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## The Nazi Blue Print For War

# Banse Gave The Whole Show Away

Every success that Nazi Germany has had in Europe since the advent of Adolf Hitler was carefully planned in a rigid code of action, a "blue-print for war," by a German professor of geography, who in Brunswick, Germany, Sept. 2, 1932, grasped his pen in cold hats and urged defeated Germany to "take up the sword in both hands," against the enemy of the Reich "smiling him in two from top to bottom."

While the world has been distracted in the jungle of Hitler's "Mein Kampf," the actual text-book of the German "blue-print," which built the German military machine out of a Brown Shirt movement, apparently has been the relatively little known "Raum und Volk im Weltkriege," which was published in the United States in 1934 by Harcourt, Brace and Company, New York. It sold 2,350 copies and is now rare and out of print.

The author was race-conscious and bitter Professor Ewald Herman August Banse, a world wanderer, who was appointed professor of military science at Brunswick Technical College upon Hitler's advent to power in January, 1933.

A re-examination of the book by the method of deadly parallel appeared in the "New York Herald Tribune" recently, disclosing that "despite suppression" of the book in 1933 in Germany and government at that time as "senseless babblings" and "irresponsible theories." Professor Banse's outline for the German thrust to world power has been followed in uncanny fashion, from the reorganization of the German general staff to peace with Russia and the fall of France.

England, Then Seaward

All that remains to be done (a decision on which the world hangs) is for the Nazis to conquer England, by the methods detailed by Banse (including an invasion map), then to look upon the sea, a great broad highway which leads to a thousand treasures that are its for the taking.

"It seems then," wrote Banse in his discussion of the war which was to come, "that a nation can never be both a land power, with equal completeness, that it has to favour one or the other. Or is it after all possible that the compact mass of ninety-two million Germans in central Europe may achieve both hegemony in Europe and supremacy in the world outside? The fact that a riddle has not been solved does not prove that it is insoluble."

When the book was first published and greeted as "an appalling document," newspaper men of the type of Wickham Steed, warned the world that Germany meant business. But a world creeping out from under the 1923 crash looked upon a prostrate Germany and except for sporadic interest, inclined to agree with Dr. Goebbels that Banse was wild and tended "to throw doubt on the peace policy of the German government."

When Adolf Hitler spoke at the Berlin Sportpalast recently, he slightly directed a quotation made almost direct from Banse. In attacking the English Hitler said:

"A powerful weapon thereby (British) was that of the lie phrase propaganda (sic). Their proverb was, 'When an Englishman speaks of God he means cotton.' So it is to-day."

Banse wrote in "Raum und Volk im Weltkriege":

"Footnote, thinking of the innumerable brutal wars of the English, summed it up perfectly in his epigram: 'They say Christ and mean cotton.'"

### He Predicted It All

Banse, who called the turn of affairs of the future of Austria (annexation); Spain (the advocated setting up a Mussolini there); Czechoslovakia (the advocated split between Czechs and Germans in Bohemia as a first wedge); Russia (examining the last into the Blackwater estuary which are only separated from the source of the Dnieper by a few miles, the peninsula into a regular island, which provides an invading army with safe and roomy quarters from which it can threaten London, which is quite close to the side and also the industrial Midlands not far away."

"In fact," he wrote, "The Great Ouse, which flows into the Wash and a number of streams flowing into the Blackwater estuary which are only separated from the source of the Dnieper by a few miles, the peninsula into a regular island, which provides an invading army with safe and roomy quarters from which it can threaten London, which is quite close to the side and also the industrial Midlands not far away."

Of an invasion of Ireland he wrote:

"Ireland's function is merely to back up the main operations, which will take place in the east of England. Only in the last named case would she acquire importance — indeed, great and decisive importance. The English commander is likely to find difficulty in manipulating a considerable army on two fronts in the overpopulated rabbit-warren of the industrial Midlands. Moreover,

clear of shipping). Banse, writing in 1932, foresaw no trouble in crossing the Channel.

In detail, with the remorseless thoroughness which characterises his work, he discusses the natural geography of southeastern England and its use in protecting invading troops. The peninsula formed by Norfolk and Suffolk, cut off from the rest of England by the Wash and the Fens, by the lower Thames and various other rivers, "is necessarily of the greatest interest to an invading army."

"Since Japan cannot concern us as a theatre of war within any measurable future," he said, "we need not deal with her territory." The military professor took it as a basic part of the Third Reich programme that the whole Dutch East Indies, would become German, although Japan would run head on into her Axis partner, in the case of such a move in which Germany replaced Great Britain in the Pacific.

Frankly glorying in war, Banse first called attention to himself by advocating as military strategy the poisoning of water supplies and the infection of civilian areas with plague. He expressed the opinion, in a book called "Military Science," that these methods were just as much part of war as bombing and the use of gas.

German-Switzerland, German France (Flanders, Alsace and Lorraine) and Luxembourg, as well as Belgium and Holland, would be included, naturally, in the new German Empire, he wrote.

In July, 1933, the Nazi government formed the "German Society for Military Policy and Military Sciences," the purpose of which was to "realise the essential ideas of Professor Banse."

Banse did not mention Hitler in his book except to say "the man is already in our midst."

English war industry, which has its chief centres in this particular area, would be able to support an army of millions concentrated in this narrow space and keep it supplied with munitions.

"Inside Ireland itself special attention needs to be paid to Ulster, which would have to be conquered or hermetically sealed up at the same time as the invasion of the northern Midlands took place, if conquered it might be used as a starting point for attack on the densely populated areas of the district of Scotland." His map shows a force of Germans attacking Dublin, using it as a base against Liverpool and Manchester, and Belfast as a point of attack against Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Banse served during the World War as a "war geologist" on the fronts in Galicia, Alsace and the Champagne and has passed much of his life collecting information on geography and anthropology in Scandinavia, Czechoslovakia (1933), Rumania, Hungary and Africa. He joined the Nazi party in October, 1932, just after his book was finished. He lists the generations of his ancestors in the German Wars Who as Evangelical or Catholic. Before the World War he worked for Breckhaus, a publishing firm, in Leipzig.

### Civilians As Propagandists

Propaganda and psychology are fetishes with him. The German general staff in 1914, he thought, blundered in allowing military men to direct propaganda work. It should be left to civilians. (Despite rumours trouble between Reich Marshal Hermann Wilhelm Goering and Dr. Paul Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda and Public Enlightenment, the civilian still holds his post as a trusted and important part of the Nazi machine.)

"Actual methods need not be discussed," he said, "in a book which is concerned with the main outlines rather than the details. Suffice it to say that good propaganda must be unobtrusive. It needs to be planned a long way ahead and we must not expect it to bear fruit in a couple of months or even years. Hence, good propaganda should begin in peace time and operate in such a way that the country running it reaps its fruit as soon as war is declared. The most important points are: auxiliary centres in foreign capitals; literary propaganda by influencing the press and also by producing books and pamphlets; effective films and broadcasting items; creation of public buildings adapted to the character of the people, for example reading rooms, drinking fountains, or industrial institutes. Finally, mouth-to-mouth propaganda with the help of native agents."

For Rumania Banse's plans have to date been a success. He studied the country with scientific thoroughness, advocating that Rumania be constituted a reserve for oil supplies to the extremely mobile land, sea and air forces he envisioned. The pro-Nazi Iron Guard paved the way for the downfall of that country.

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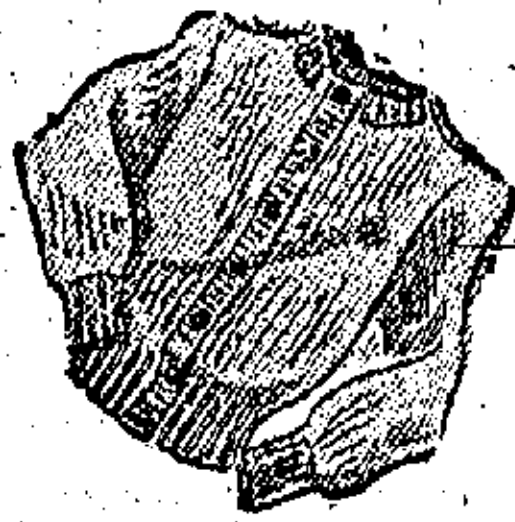
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# Incidentally..

PERHAPS the most interesting aspect of an art show is the people it attracts. The exhibition at the University last week-end, for instance, there was one man who looked as if he'd left his night-soil buckets on the steps of the Fung Ping Shan library and come inside for a rest. We expect he was a highly respectable member of the Legislative Council or the Rice Guild, but that's now he impressed us. Maybe it was the Chinese equivalent of Bohemian attire. At any rate he spoke in excellent English as he explained to an exotic young lady, apparently an American, that he could only understand a few words of Chinese which looked so out of place in a domestic scene were really most appropriate, being a symbol of married bliss.

AGNES Smedley was there, examining the exhibits with great thoroughness. It was Rubens, I think, who said that his paintings were meant to be seen, not smelted; but this aphorism is not applicable to Chinese art. Often the detail is more important than the composition. Miss Smedley drew up a chair and scrutinised them with that single-minded attention for which she is famous.

AMONG the many foreigners who have worked in and fought for China, she is outstanding. Her adventures, her persistence and patient endurance in the face of almost incredible hardships, are a byword among students of the Sino-Japanese struggle. To get material for her books, books which have done so much to enlighten the sympathy of Western peoples, she has accompanied Chinese troops on some of their epic marching feats. Day after day she has clambered up the sides of precipitous mountains, slept on the hard ground, existed for weeks on a handful of rice a day. She has done things, in fact, that many strong men would hesitate to undertake. In spite of it all, or possibly because of it, she wore a look of fitness and energy. It was in this spirit, indeed, rather than the spirit of leisurely enjoyment, that she seemed to be attacking the ancient scrolls.

Professor Wilkinson THE University's most colourful personality was there. His red beard caught the eye as soon as one entered the room. No doubt he was enjoying the show, but his air of detachment suggested that he kept a much better collection of his own behind the lee-chest.

IT would have been a strange art show without Mrs. Macfadyen. She celebrated her seventieth birthday last week, but despite a long period of sickness, she is as lively as ever. Nothing but a panel of doctors—or policemen—could have kept her away. She arrived on the arm of her cook-boy, but she went round the pictures propelled by her abounding enthusiasm, and her informed comments drew several listeners.

IT was she, I think, who set the puzzle that engaged the attention of so many of the visitors. One of the pictures was called "The Five Poisons." She quickly discovered four of them, a scorpion, a centipede, a toad and a venomous insect. The difficulty was the fifth. She didn't find it, but long after she had given it up, a crowd of people were still seeking it.

## The Returning Fisherman

OF the pictures themselves, many pages could be written. They covered nearly a thousand years, from the onset of the Sung dynasty to the fall of the Manchus. It is a feature of Chinese painting that few could have told, without the aid of the labels, which was painted in 960 and which in 1911. There are always clues for the expert, but to the amateur eye, little change of style or method presents itself throughout the whole history of Chinese art. One of the finest in the show, "The Returning Fisherman" by Liang Chieh, painted in the Sung dynasty, was notable for its "modernity." It was full of vitality and movement, and the artist's approach to his subject was reminiscent of Van Gogh's in "On the Way to Work."

## The Land Of Women

PACIFISTS, not unnaturally, are not very popular in England these days. The news published this week in the "China Mail,"

that the famous Cotswold Peace Brotherhood are about to transplant their idealism and their quaint costumes to Paraguay, is no surprise. In highly commercialised and industrialised England, this Utopian community was just one more collection of curious people, but the effect of their impact on Paraguay may be worth observing. It was, after all, a handful of Pilgrim Fathers who founded America, and Australia began as a convict settlement. The Brotherhood, which is composed of skilled agriculturists, should be able to contribute much to the life of their new country which, though rich in natural resources, is still in a primitive condition. And it has one grave defect.

JUST as Finland startled the world by holding up the Russians for months, and as the Greeks have taken the shine from Mussolini's "eight million bayonets," so, a few years ago, did tiny Paraguay stand up to its mighty neighbour, Bolivia, and even inflicted defeat on it. Old men, wo-

men, small boys, all joined up to defend their national rights. They succeeded, but at a terrible cost. Seventy or eighty per cent of the nation's manhood was wiped out, and to-day the country is often called "The Land of Women."

## Hemingway Survives

TO read a book of Hemingway's is something of an event at any time, but the presence of that dynamic personality in the Colony gives it added point. Readers are apt to forget that novelists are made of hair and tissue, but no-one having seen Hemingway in person, with that luxuriant facial adornment which the young subaltern dreams of but seldom achieves, or having had a moment's conversation with his vivacious, lovely wife, could doubt it any longer.

HEMINGWAY has now recovered from the initial shock of his arrival in the Colony, when he read that "farewell to arms" quite the best straight novel written around the war of 1914-18, gave vivid descriptions of the Italian retreat from Guadalajara. After all, he is a strongly built individual, with a powerful physique which can stand the strain of boxing, bull-fighting, big game shooting and deep sea fishing and can, therefore, survive such shocks as that.

## Past History

ERNEST Hemingway was the leader of one of the "three schools of modern novelists who declared war on the literary mandarins of the early twenties. These great panjandrums had had a brief but busy day. They had evolved a style whose tendency was to make their words say more than they meant or, at worst, to spin cocoons of language out of nothing.

It was pundit writing in which the written word was as unlike as possible to the spoken one. Its cardinal assumption was that neither reader nor writer was in a hurry but both possessors of sound classical education and private income with which to indulge it.

ELIOT, Huxley, Firbank, Virginia Woolf, Joyce, Proust, Gide—these—were only a selection of the dominant mandarin and dandy influences of the day. After them came the deluge of imitations, and the literary market was flooded with emotional blank cheques, stummers on the bank of experience, forged in the name of Swann, Dadaism or Mrs. Dalloway.

The three-cornered attack started almost simultaneously. It came from the love children of an older realism like Somerset Maugham. It came from Wyndham Lewis, blasting away at the citadels of literary culture, and Lawrence growling murder at moral hypocrisy and verbal falsehood. And it also came from a bunch of American expatriates in Paris, devotees of the "Lost Generation" who centred around the trinity of Gertrude Stein, Sherwood Anderson and Ernest Hemingway.

HIS tragedy as an artist has been until recently, that he had not been able enough to get away from his imitators. The talkies that clinched his success brought on a flood of talkie novels like his. They had the same trick of being tough, and the knack of writing almost entirely in dialogue interrupted only by a few sentimental landscapes caught on. Each had copy effected the prestige of the original, and the Hemingway style became the common property of journalists, critics and other men with literary ambitions.

For Hemingway's style suffered from the advantages and defects of journalism. Like journalism it could only be read once. It made its points vividly and stuck to surface descriptions. And also like journalism the words in his sort of writing deteriorated faster than elsewhere.

## Winner Take Nothing

A BOOK which has just come into our hands is "Winner Take Nothing," a collection of fourteen Hemingway short stories. We hadn't read any of his short stories before, and it was for the purpose of analysing this style that we got hold of this volume. We contracted, first, to an acute disappointment, secondly, to a sense of defeat. The touch of genius is in every one of the stories. You get the feel of it as soon as you begin to read. But it doesn't seem to get you anywhere. The stories aren't about anything. They aren't amusing or exciting, most of them don't present any sort of picture; there isn't a ounce of propaganda in one of them. They don't move to tears or laughter or pity. They don't soothe, yet—and perhaps this is the real test—you can't put them down till you've finished them.

WE could quote indefinitely without producing anything that could be described as "typical Hemingway," but his fragment, "One Reader Writes," is as near as it is possible to get. It concerns an uneducated woman who loves her husband, loves him desperately. He was in the U.S. Marines and they sent him to China for three years, where he contracted what Feuchtwanger calls "La Goutte Militaire." Now he has returned and has asked her to come to live with him again. The story consists chiefly of her letter to a doctor, asking his advice. She wants her husband so urgently, he has been away so long, she loves him so much. But cold fear, fear of that dread disease, grips her heart. It is a brilliant snapshot of a muddled mind torn by emotion.

TO-DAY, after years of sleek, slight novels and brilliant, pointless short stories, Hemingway has at last grasped hold of something to believe in. It is politics. The Spanish war saw Hemingway on the side of the Government. Here was a sphere of violence with purpose to it. Hemingway's writing since that time has been on the rise. For politics has given his writing the intellectuality he had deliberately excluded, and his plots the necessary objective interest which studies of punch-drunk boxers and stoic matadors failed to provide. It has also given his plots a new element—"I can take it" has disappeared. Now that Hemingway has got something real to write about a he may become a really great writer. For the subject matter he has chosen is one that suits his personality and his gifts.

## Lam Fook To Retire

ANNOUNCEMENT that "Lam Fook, No. 1" boy of the Hong Kong Football Club, has decided to retire after 37 years' service.



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IN those days, the Hong Kong Football Club was housed in a modest, and Chinese youths knew nothing of the game destined to become the major outdoor sport of China. "I have served in this Club for 37 years," concluded Lam, "and I have watched it grow and develop to what it is now. The changes it has gone through stand out as if it were only yesterday. On the eve of my retirement, I wish to express appreciation and gratitude to all with whom I have come into contact and who directly and indirectly assisted me in carrying out my duties faithfully. Them were the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. O. Eager, Secretary of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Company, Dr. F. H. Kew, Dr. F. C. Hall, Mr. H. C. R. Hancock, Mr. J. H. B. Hance and Mr. J. D. Danby.

TALKING with him this week, Lam proved a mine of information on the early days of the Colony, and his reminiscences brought to memory the names of numerous persons in now holding important positions in Hong Kong and others who have passed away. Among those remembered by Lam as among the earliest members of the Club were the Hon. Mr. T. E. Pearce, Mr. O. Eager, Secretary of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Company, Dr. F. H. Kew, Dr. F. C. Hall, Mr. H. C. R. Hancock, Mr. J. H. B. Hance and Mr. J. D. Danby.



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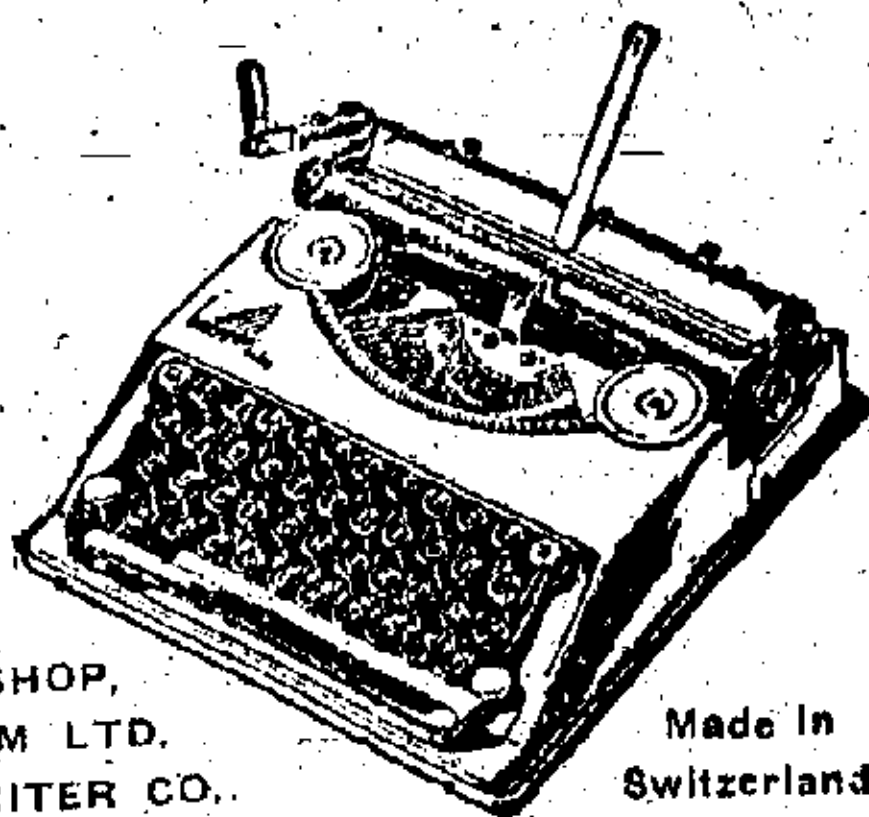
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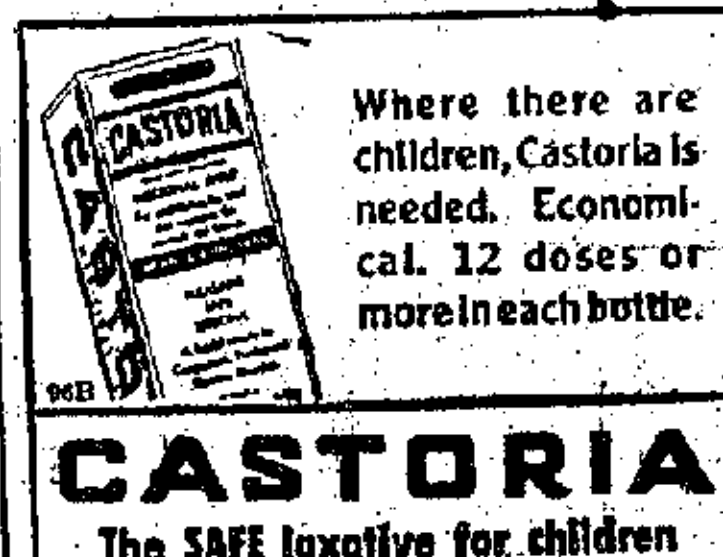
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# Wishful Thinking Not All On One Side

COL. LINDBERGH'S conviction  
that Hitler is going to win  
the war is apparently shared by a  
number of people whose views  
indicate that wishful thinking is  
not all on one side in this strug-  
gle.

But there is one person who  
does not share their confidence.  
His name is Adolf Hitler.

Are not the negotiations be-  
tween Hitler and Vichy interest-  
ing? Why is Hitler negotiating?  
He did not negotiate with Dr.  
Schuschnigg, the Chancellor of  
Austria, nor with Dr. Benes, the  
President of Czechoslovakia, nor  
with the President of Poland,  
when all three of these countries  
had armies and institutions intact.  
He attacked, destroyed and has  
not negotiated since.

Seven months have passed since  
Hitler defeated France in the  
worst military disaster in modern  
history. Two-thirds of the coun-  
try is occupied, and it all could be.  
Two million French prisoners are  
in Hitler's hands. The country is  
weaponless at home. Why then  
does Hitler attempt to make an  
other Munich in Vichy after de-  
feat? If he wants the Mediter-  
ranean ports why does he not take  
them? Could any one stop him?

## Comic Spectacle

Is there not something comic in  
the spectacle of Hitler tossing  
Laval to Petain, and Petain toss-  
ing him back to Hitler, and Hitler  
tossing him back to Petain as  
though Laval were the flamingo  
who served as a live croquet ball  
in "Alice in Wonderland?"

Why does Hitler carry on like  
this?  
In his last speech, Hitler said  
that in the last year he had made  
724 mistakes and the British  
1,824,000. The number of mis-  
takes on either side, however, is  
not what is important. The politi-  
cal and strategical nature of the  
mistakes is what is important. Bri-  
tain under-estimated the military  
strength and inner morale of  
Germany. Britain over-estimated  
the military strength of France.  
But Hitler completely mis-esti-  
mated Britain—but completely.  
And he also over-estimated the  
military strength of France. And  
these two mistakes have cost Hit-  
ler his war.

In April last year I had a talk  
with an important neutral Euro-  
pean statesman. The talk was con-  
fidential, and only the fact that  
the gentleman has since died re-  
leases me from the confidence. He  
told me that he had had a talk  
with Hitler only a few days before  
the attack on Poland. Hitler had  
assured him that the British were  
bluffing. He confided in him that  
the Nazi intelligence service had  
intercepted the reports of Sir Wil-  
liam Edmund Ironside to both the  
Polish and British governments  
and staffs, from which he had  
learned that in Ironside's opinion  
the Poles could only hold out for  
a matter of weeks. Arguing from  
this Hitler concluded, first, that  
the Poles would not offer effective  
resistance, and, second, that the  
British, once Poland fell, would  
withdraw from the war.

## Basis of Policy

In the course of the conversa-  
tion, Hitler said, "I do not want  
war with Britain. To avoid it is  
the very basis of my policy. Even  
if I won, it would be a world  
catastrophe. Germany is in no  
position to take over the role of  
Britain and neither is the United  
States. It would mean world chaos  
in which Germany would suffer as  
well as everybody else. My repre-  
sentatives all assure me that Bri-  
tain will not really fight."

When Col. Lindbergh, in the re-  
cent cross-examination before the  
Senate Foreign Relations Com-  
mittee said, "After all, it was  
France and Britain who declared  
war," he made a most misleading  
statement. France and Britain  
were urging Hitler to settle his  
affairs by negotiation with Pol-  
and—with whom he had a non-  
aggression pact that he himself  
had signed. They said privately to  
Hitler and publicly to the world  
that a suspension of negotiations  
and armed aggression would auto-

matically produce war with both  
of them. Having once tried to save peace  
by giving in to Hitler, over  
Czechoslovakia, they now tried  
to save it by resisting him and  
making the consequences perfect-  
ly clear.

Hitler did not believe them and  
opened war by a lightning attack  
from all frontiers on Poland. For  
two days afterward the Chamber-  
lain government hesitated, and  
there were scenes in the House of  
Commons and Englishmen cried,  
"Speak for England! We have  
given our word of honour!"

Chamberlain did not declare  
war. He took account of the fact  
that a state of war had been creat-  
ed by Hitler's aggression.

Why does Col. Lindbergh at-

tempt to mislead America by in-  
fering that France and Britain  
were guilty?

Why did Hitler not turn from  
the short successful war on Pol-  
and, directly against France and  
Britain? Why did he wait from  
autumn until spring?

He still wanted to separate  
France from Britain!

Why, having knocked France  
down in the space of a few weeks,  
did he not conclude an armistice  
without demanding the surren-  
der of the fleet or the capitula-  
tion of the colonial army?

Because "he thought Britain  
would withdraw."  
Why did he not push right  
through—and attack England at  
that moment, when the British  
Isles were completely undefended,  
and the army, escaped from Dun-  
kirke, still disorganised for home  
defence?

Because he does not want Bri-  
tain as an enemy. He wants Bri-  
tain as an ally. That has been the  
basis of his whole miscalculated  
policy!

## Vacillation

Ludendorff would not have  
waged such a war. And Hitler,  
were he perfectly sure of himself,  
would not have waged such a war.  
For Hitler has said, "The slightest  
sign of vacillation is suicidal."

Fantastic as it may seem, the  
sudden collapse of France further  
may yet record that the disastrous  
collapse of France, plus the mira-  
culous steadiness of Britain, was  
the moment of Hitler's Amaged-  
don. For Hitler had counted on  
having the whole British army into  
France and pounding it slowly to  
pieces on French soil. Then he  
would not have had to invade  
England, but England, deprived  
of her army and all her trained  
forces, would have had to capitu-  
late. But neither the armies of  
Britain nor of France were pound-  
ed to pieces. For the French army  
simply collapsed—and the British  
escaped.

Hitler's haste to conclude an  
armistice was still made in the  
hope of getting England out of the  
war. Then he could make a "deal"  
with her. He mis-estimated Eng-  
land, therefore, before the attack  
on Poland, after the victory over  
Poland, and after the collapse of  
France.

Meanwhile, his hastily conclud-  
ed armistice with France plunges  
him. His hope for a Nazi revolu-  
tion in France is a dud. The rock  
upon which he must found his  
Nazi church in France is Peter,  
be sure, but Peter (Pierre) Laval,  
a discredited old gambler of a  
politician, full of cynicism and  
personal ambition, and without a  
shred of a mass following. He has  
no weapon with which he can

bludgeon France into "voluntarily"  
surrendering her navy. For France  
has Hitler already, so has nothing  
worse to fear; if he promises to  
release the prisoners—which he  
is really afraid to do—the French  
will be kept. Why should they?

If he gets the Mediterranean ports,  
he has no ships with which to use  
them. And he negotiates because  
he needs France!

For meanwhile Britain, defend-  
ing her own shores and at the  
same time fighting a brilliant cam-  
paign hundreds of miles from  
home, has, with the aid of Greece,  
knocked out Italy in Africa. There  
are no Germans or Italians in  
Africa for Weyand to surrender  
to, even if his government so or-  
dered!

vigorously, as they can. Stop  
aid to Britain! Force Britain to  
give in by revealing the Ameri-  
can foreign policy! Save Germany  
the awful task of having to defeat  
a Britain supplied by the United  
States!

This is Hitler's fourth attempt  
since the war began to defeat  
Churchill without having really to  
fight him. For Hitler knows that  
even if he should win, it would  
be a world catastrophe. He would  
have a situation on his hands with  
which he knows he is unable to  
cope.

Col. Lindbergh loves peace  
so much, why is he not advising  
a defeated Italy to make peace  
with a victorious Britain? Why is  
he advising a completely unde-  
feated Britain to make peace with  
Hitler instead?

Since the colonel has again  
elected to court the publicity that  
he pretends to leathe by playing  
high politics, it is the right of the  
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# HITLER BALKS IN THE BALKANS

ONCE more the signs point to a German move from Bulgaria—a thrust direct either against Greece or Turkey, or both. Yet the signs may be wrong, the Germans may still be playing at the war of nerves. The conditions will bear some extended examination.

First, it must be repeated that the war is not going to be lost or won in the Mediterranean, and Hitler knows this as well as Britain. Britain is trying very hard to knock Italy out of the war, or, failing this, to compel Hitler to come to the aid of his ally with something more than a single geschwader of Stuka dive-bombers. If they can draw Hitler into a big Mediterranean campaign they have greatly weakened his power to strike at Britain, and with American aid rising monthly they may well have won the war. Hitler has been try-

By Major  
George Fielding  
Eloit

ing desperately to avoid large German military commitments in the Mediterranean area. He has tried to hold that situation in line with political pressure, threats, alarms and excursions, anything except the troops and planes he needs for his coming assault on Great Britain.

He may have, probably does have, enough divisions to undertake a two-front war on the ground, but the demands on his air force and on his munitions industry might go beyond the point at which he could achieve a double victory. One front would have to be weakened at the expense of the other. So far Hitler has concentrated on one thing at a time in the military field; he would much prefer to continue doing so.

## Africa At Stake

But the stakes are growing larger. Italy is weakening under the hammer blows of the masterly British combined operations in Africa and the Mediterranean. Cyrenaica is gone; Tripolitania is threatened by the British on the east, by the Free French on the south; East Africa is invaded at no less than seven points and the Italian empire there is crumbling into dust. The news of these events is known or soon will be known to every native of the Dark Continent. The Free French are at Ghadames, on the Tunisian-Algerian frontier with Libya. Britain grows more defiant, British guns bombard Genoa, British planes attack Sicily. Soon Britain will have complete freedom of action to strike from African bases against Italian territory. The Italians in Albania, heavily reinforced, cannot get a counter-attack going. Not only the command of the Mediterranean, but the whole of the African continent is at stake.

Would a German thrust through Greece to the Aegean provide a counterweight to all this? Possibly; but it is doubtful. If Germany occupied all Greece, her air force might make things pretty lively for the British in Crete; the reports of troop-carrying planes going east suggest that the Germans may be considering establishing themselves in Rhodes and Leros, the Italian-held bases at the mouth of the Aegean Sea. If the British believe this possible, they will certainly assault those bases before the Germans can reach the shores of the Aegean. This is one point to watch carefully; a British attack on Rhodes would be highly significant.

We do not yet know whether the pursuit of Graziani's broken remnants is being continued into Tripolitania, and if so by what numbers; we do not know whether

the bulk of the army of the Nile may not now be released for operations elsewhere—for an attack on Sicily, for the support of Greece, for a descent on the Italian inland outposts.

## Gibraltar May Be Target

Spain remains always a possible theatre for a German thrust, and it is a likely one from the strategic viewpoint; for an advance to

Gibraltar might cut the straits, severing direct communication between Great Britain and her Middle East forces, thus preventing the transfer of strength from the Middle East to the decisive theatre of war around Great Britain. Even if Gibraltar held out, the occupation of the shoreline east and west of the fortress would enable German aircraft to operate effectively over the strait.

As far as neutralising in the military sense the British successes

in the Mediterranean, such a move, perhaps coupled with operations in Africa based on Spanish Morocco, still seems more attractive from the German viewpoint than Bulgaria. It would involve far fewer aircraft, since British air opposition would be nothing like as strong as at the other end of the Mediterranean; and it would sidestep the attack on Britain's sea lanes, which will certainly be a feature of the main "showdown." The greatest risk would be stout opposition by the Spaniards plus Weygand, and the Germans will know how to weigh that possibility.

at Italy's tottering military and political structure.

The Germans seem to have suffered what may be described as "strategic dislocation" in the planning sphere by the unexpected speed of British attack or perhaps the unexpected velocity of the Italian collapse. If they could have got their main attack going while Italy was still making some pretence at defence, they might have been able to disregard southern events. They may do so even yet, but it becomes more difficult for them to do so with every blow

of Italy's tottering military and political structure.

The Dilemma

tions of the utmost advantage. This is now the stake, in addition to the collapse of Italy, which has been set upon the board by the energetic fury of British offensives. It remains to be seen whether Britain will succeed in diverting the Germans from their main object in gaining the precious, irreplaceable time which they need for the American production effort to rise to the point where Germany cannot hope to overmatch it. This is the point at issue; beside it all else pales into insignificance.

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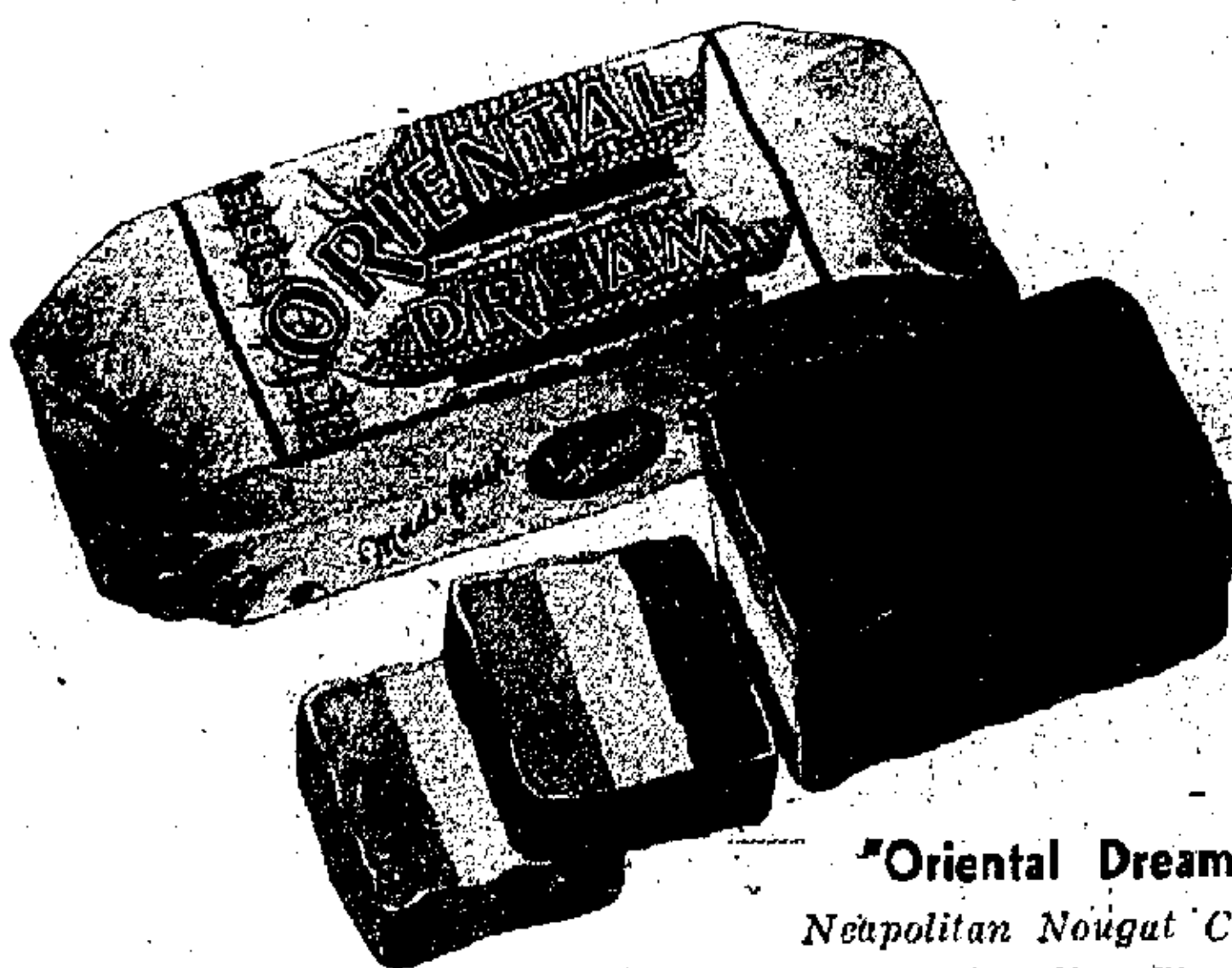
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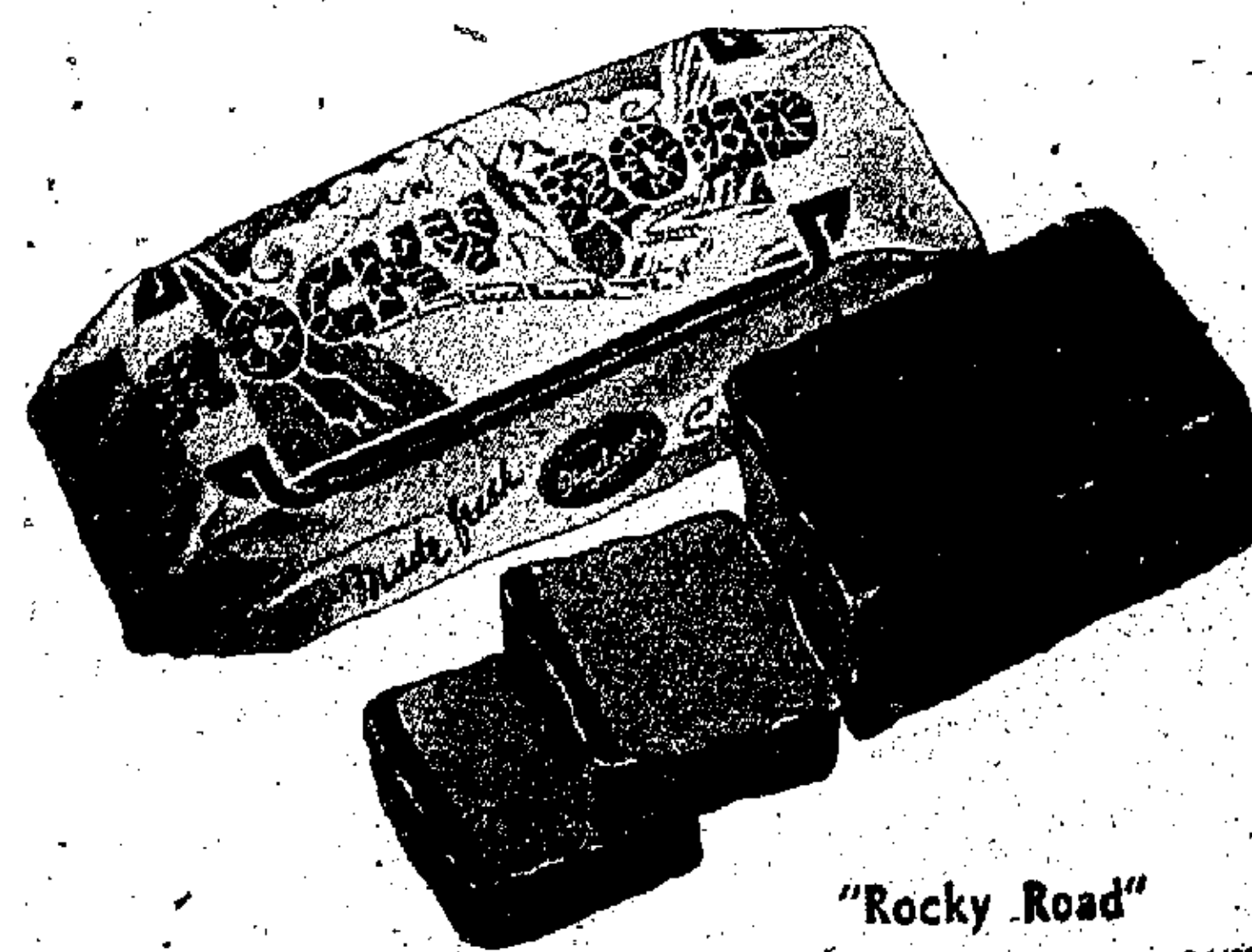
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If space did not forbid all this could, of course, be exploited to show curious comparison with the Budget debate. It is sufficient, however, to submit the present issue as, calling for judgment on its pure merits as an effort by Government to wrest order out of chaos in a sphere vital to public health. If it is defeated, we may expect to be spared further spectacle of Unofficials' condemning the Civil Service as reveling in a rut of stagnation and complacency.



# No Alternative To Victory

By \_\_\_\_\_  
WICKHAM  
STEED

Nevertheless, I shall give my answer frankly and truthfully. For 20 years I observed my own country from abroad. Part of my task was to explain Britain to foreign statesmen and diplomats. Had I misled them, my usefulness and their confidence in my judgment would have vanished. For another 20 years it was my business to inform and to express criticism of our official affairs at home. It is on public record that I was rarely mistaken. So to-day I apply this experience to the Battle of Britain. Whether others accept my conclusions is a minor matter. I state them mainly for my own satisfaction.

live seen and marvelled at the spirit of my own people. How is it that they are neither panic-stricken nor depressed?

It is partly because they know, by instinct more than by conscious reason, that it would help them not at all to be frightened or downhearted. Without saying it to themselves or to others they feel that if they were to lose this war they would cease to exist as a free people. They mean to exist and to remain free. It never enters their minds that for them there can be any way out except through victory.

So, while they are getting ready to smash Hitler, they bear without wincing or complaint whatever suffering and damage he can inflict upon them. It is not because they

are, or think themselves, more heroic than other peoples. It is because they have long been free and accustomed to govern themselves. They would rather be destroyed than yield.

Hitler misunderstands the British and their temper. He thinks they are like the Germans. They are not. The Germans are naturally disciplined and obedient to authority. The British are naturally undisciplined and refractory to authority unless the authority is their own. To-day they are spontaneously disciplined, and obey the authority they have bestowed upon their National Govern-

ment. Unlike the Germans, the British see no alternative to victory. For the Germans the defeat of Nazism would not mean the end of Germany. They remember other, and better, non-Nazi Germans. If they suffer, it is for Hitler, not for Germany.

## For A Way

## Of Life

The British, on the contrary, endure and suffer not for a Dictator or for a system but for a way of life without which they would not wish to live. They do not reason consciously about it. But they behave, unconsciously and instinctively, as though they did reason it out.

Against this background the episodes of the war, favourable and unfavourable to Britain, need to be judged. For the present Hitler is concentrating on the Balkans.

The British take these things quite calmly. Their strength is growing rapidly, their spirit is unshaken and it is the Germans, not the British, who will one day know that they are beaten.

# THIS WEEK

Events in the Balkans have moved swiftly to the point of showdown, though nothing yet has happened to change the view that Hitler will not create a new battlefield unless his hand is forced. The long predicted occupation of Bulgaria by the German armies commenced within a few hours of Bulgarian adhesion to the Axis Alliance, and yesterday morning both the Greek and Turkish frontiers were thickly lined with Nazi troops. Britain's rupture of relations with Bulgaria was not long postponed, Mr. Rendel withdrawing from an equivocal position as soon as the nature and extent of the German occupation became manifestly clear. Warning was given, in no uncertain terms, both to Bulgaria and Rumania, that Britain regards them as enemy-occupied countries and that the war may be carried against the Germans in Bulgaria, the oil wells in Rumania, and to the shores of the Black Sea.

Cripps during Mr. Eden's visit was something more than a courtesy call.

## Italy Counted Out

The interesting thing about all developments, despite the numerous uncertainties, is that the picture, is that the acceleration of the tempo and movement in the combat have come from the east. Hitler has been compelled to take counter-measures on the basis that Italy can be couleed out as a serious adversary and that this has not yet changed the balance of forces and gives Germany the freedom of action to choose the points of Hitler's own vulnerability. The nature of the Nazi response proves that the challenge is not a bluff. The situation is equally well appreciated in Berlin that should the German armies become deeply involved in the Middle East, Britain has achieved a major strategic gain in the West.

## Lofoten

As if to emphasise the point, and rub it well in, British naval forces, with a large fleet, arrived out a swift raid on the Lofoten Islands, in northern Norway. Fish oil factories of considerable importance to Germany were destroyed, eleven German or German-operated ships were sunk, numerous German prisoners were taken, and some hundreds of Norwegians were taken to Britain to join the Norwegian forces. This little success in naval power was a neat footnote to Hitler's anxieties in the Balkans, and Germany's apoplectic annoyance added to the relish. While Adolf is busily engaged in working up his second wind, Britain seems to be exhaling her first deep breath.

## Change in The Wind

The quickening pace of action and expectation coincides with other intimations that something as palpable as a change in the direction of the wind. It could be felt in the confident tone of Captain Margesson's summary of the results of an experimental test of the qualities of the new defence organisation. It could be felt in Hitler's effort to retrieve the German position in Turkey by a personal message to the President. It can be felt in the attitude in Vichy, which negotiates the armistice and declines to restore him to Cabinet. It can be felt in the decision to pause, if only temporary, of General Weigand, and in Vichy's stubborn insistence on sitting out

## Far East Tension Relaxes

Nor has the changed atmosphere been without its influence on the situation in the Far East. Although it is impossible to put a finger directly upon the cause, unless it was the arrival of the Australians in Malaya, or the conversation between Mr. Winston Churchill and Mr. Shigemitsu in London, a distinct relaxation of the tension has developed. Diplomatically, Anglo-Japanese discussions have been almost affable.

## Mediation Agreement

Negotiations between Japan and France arising out of the Thailand mediation have, in the meantime, developed into substantial obstacles, and an agreement involving Thailand quite a large area of Indo-China territory bordering the Gulf of Siam is likely to be signed shortly. The price seems to have been exacted by the aid of a naval demonstration in the vicinity of Indo-China, but Japanese officials are silent on the point of greatest interest to diplomatic observers, what will be adhering when Japan takes her finger out of the pie.

## The Campaign in East Africa

In East Africa, the campaign proceeds on lines exceeding the highest expectations. Resistance Italian Somaliland is limited isolated posts, British Somali- and seems to be open for the sweeping pressures of the Italians the Ethiopian. Italy is rapidly gaining an importance far greater than the pressures without. Reports indicate that the flame of revolt sweeping through the country, compelling the Italians to retire the big towns. Britain's reputation, still offers the hardest of challenge to British strategy. The defenders of Keren on stubbornly and until its capture has been announced, the same general has been stated that the main factor in this campaign is General Wavell's patience. The troops employed are efficient for the purpose without attempting to force the issue, and the enemy have turned towards the Argun.

# SCRUTATOR



# HITLER BALKS IN THE BALKANS

ONCE more the signs point to a German move from Bulgaria—a thrust direct either against Greece or Turkey, or both. Yet the signs may be wrong, the Germans may still be playing at the war of nerves. The conditions will bear some extended examination.

First, it must be repeated that the war is not going to be lost or won in the Mediterranean, and Hitler knows this as well as Britain. Britain is trying very hard to knock Italy out of the war, for, failing this, to compel Hitler to come to the aid of his ally with something more than a single geschwader of Stuka dive-bombers. If they can draw Hitler into a big Mediterranean campaign they have greatly weakened his power to strike at Britain, and with American aid rising monthly they may well have won the war. Hitler has been try-

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George Fielding  
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ing desperately to avoid large German military commitments in the Mediterranean area. He has tried to hold that situation in line with political pressure, threats, alarms and excursions, anything except the troops and planes he needs for his coming assault on Great Britain.

He may have probably does have enough divisions to undertake a two-front war on the ground, but the demands on his air force and on his munitions industry might go beyond the point at which he could achieve a double victory. One front would have to be weakened at the expense of the other. So far Hitler has concentrated on one thing at a time in the military field, he would much prefer to continue doing so.

## Africa At Stake

But the stakes are growing larger. Italy is weakening under the hammer blows of the masterly British combined operations in Africa and the Mediterranean. Cyrenaica is gone; Tripolitania is threatened by the British on the east, by the Free French on the south. East Africa is invaded at no less than seven points and the Italian empire there is crumbling into dust. The news of these events is known or soon will be known to every native of the Dark Continent. The Free French are at Ghadames, on the Tunisian-Algerian frontier with Libya. Britain grows more defiant. British guns bombard Genoa. British planes attack Sicily. Soon Britain will have complete freedom of action to strike from African bases against Italian territory. The Italians in Albania heavily reinforced, cannot get a counter-attack going. Not only the command of the Mediterranean, but the whole of the African continent is at stake.

Would a German thrust through Greece to the Aegean provide a counterweight to all this? Possibly, but it is doubtful. If Germany occupied all Greece, her air force might make things pretty lively for the British in Crete; the reports of troop-carrying planes going east suggest that the Germans may be considering establishing themselves in Rhodes and Leros, the Italian-held bases at the mouth of the Aegean Sea. If the British believe this possible, they will certainly assault those bases before the Germans can reach the shores of the Aegean. This is one point to watch carefully: a British attack on Rhodes would be highly significant.

We do not yet know whether the pursuit of Graziani's broken remnants is being continued into Tripolitania, and if so by what numbers, we do not know whether

the bulk of the army of the Nile may not now be released for operations elsewhere—for an attack on Sicily, for the support of Greece, for a descent on the Italian inland outposts.

## Gibraltar May Be Target

Spain remains always a possible theatre for a German thrust, and it is likely one from the strategic viewpoint; for an advance to

Gibraltar might cut the straits, severing direct communication between Great Britain and her Middle East forces, thus preventing the transfer of strength from the Middle East to the decisive theatre of war around Great Britain. Even if Gibraltar held out, the occupation of the shoreline east and west of the fortress would enable German aircraft to operate effectively over the strait.

As far as neutralising in the military sense the British successes

in the Mediterranean, such a move, perhaps coupled with operations in Africa based on Spanish Morocco, still seems more attractive from the German viewpoint than Bulgaria. It would involve far fewer aircraft, since British air opposition would be nothing like as strong as at the other end of the Mediterranean; and it would aid the attack on Britain's sea lanes, which will certainly be a feature of the main "showdown." The greatest risk would be stout opposition by the Spaniards plus Weygand, and the Germans will know how to weigh that pos-

sibility. If it exists they may hesitate to make the attempt.

The Germans seem to have suffered what may be described as "strategic dislocation" in the planning sphere by the unexpected speed of British attack or perhaps the unexpected velocity of the Italian collapse. If they could have got their main attack going while Italy was still making some pretense at defence they might have been able to disregard southern events. They may do so even yet, but it becomes more difficult for them to do so with every blow

at Italy's tottering military and political structure.

## The Dilemma

The loss of all Africa—that is the complete transfer of the continent to British control for the rest of the war—would render German chances of intervening effectively in the Mediterranean quite hopeless and would provide Britain with resources and pos-

sitions of the utmost advantage. This is now the stake, in addition to the collapse of Italy, which has been set upon the board by the energetic fury of British offensives. It remains to be seen whether Britain will succeed in diverting the Germans from their main object in gaining the precious, irreplaceable time which they need for the American production effort to rise to the point where Germany cannot hope to overmatch it. This is the point at issue, beside it all else pales into insignificance.

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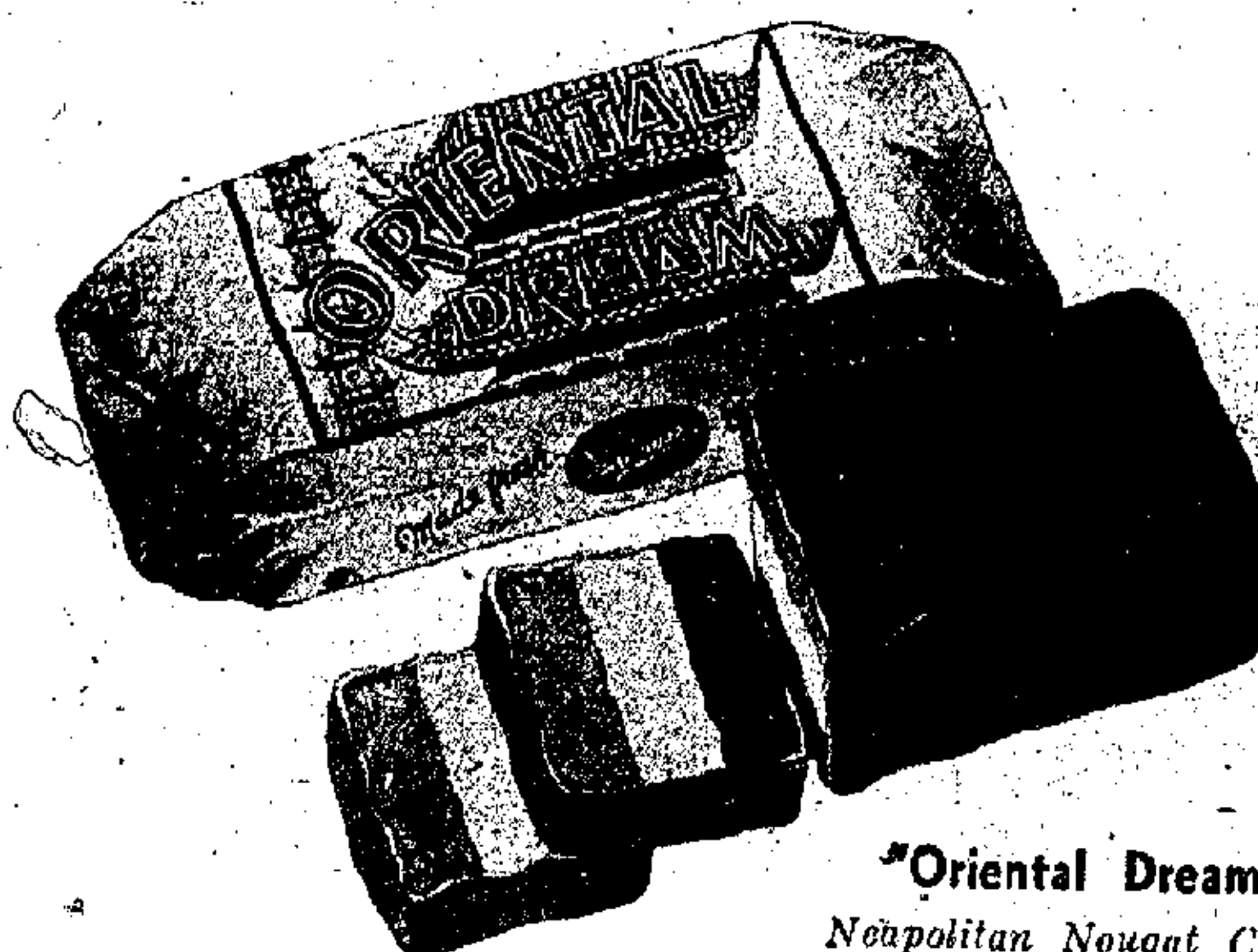


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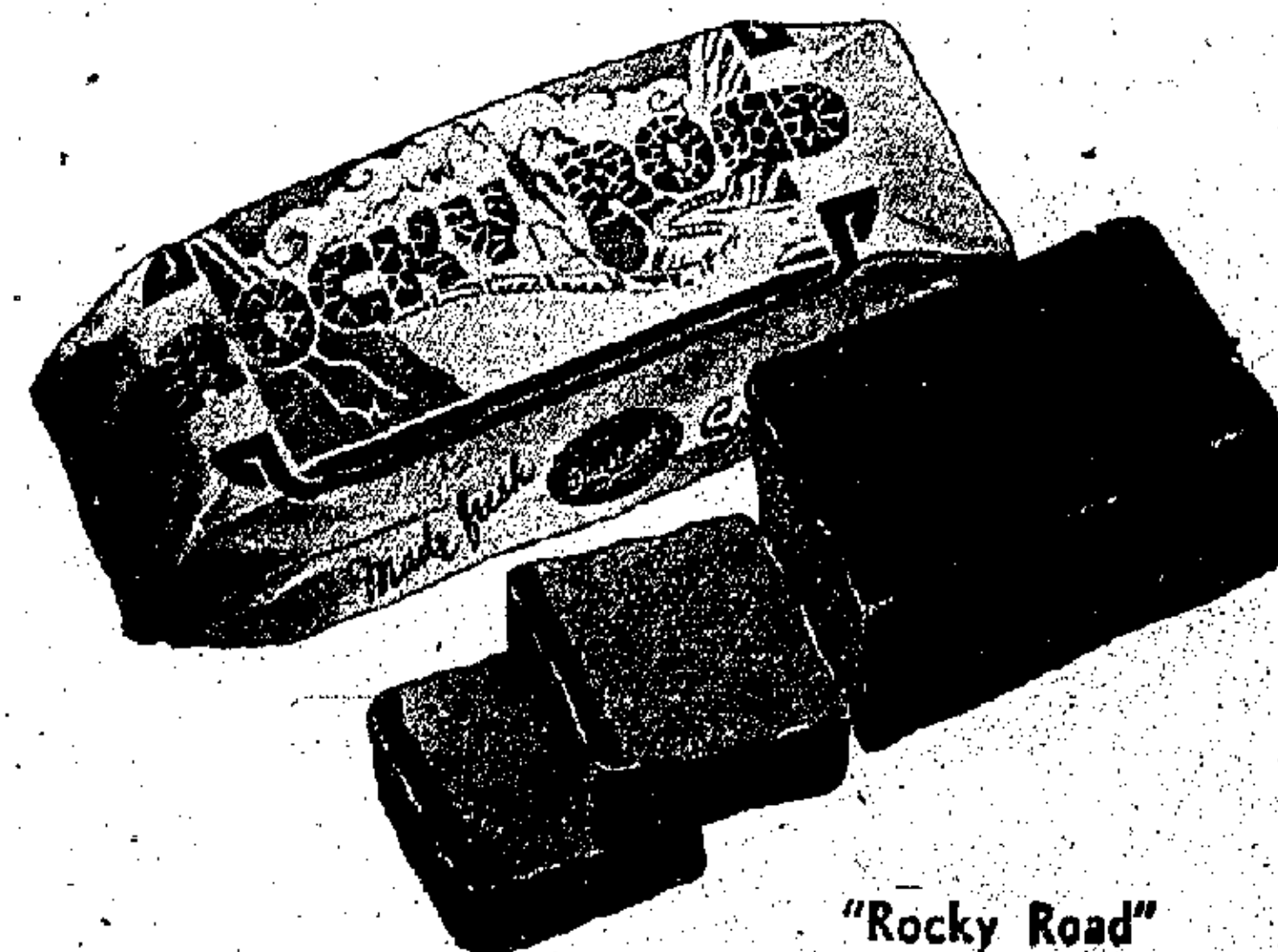
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## NEW ORDER IN EUROPE

"The 'new order' in Europe is being inflicted upon helpless peoples by methods so shameful that they must be kept secret," says Raymond Clapper, writing in the New York "World Telegram."

"Officials in Washington," he continues, "have received information as to the frightful methods used in the destruction of Poland. The Germans undertook a programme of deporting 1,000,000 Polish labourers to Germany. This is regarded by American officials as slavery of the most brutal medieval type. The Germans also have undertaken to exterminate the intellectual classes in Poland. Reports of physical atrocities have been received but officials discount them in the absence of reliable witness verification. They are interested in the greater atrocity of the deliberate murder of a nation and the transformation of a people into a mass of slaves." — Reuter.

## BRITAIN'S ADVANTAGE IN THE AIR

"WARPLANES NOW OPERATING FROM ENGLAND USE 100-OCTANE GAS, WHEREAS THE BEST THE NAZIS PRODUCE IS 90-OCTANE. THE DIFFERENCE ADDS 25 MILES AN HOUR TO THE SPEED OF BRITISH FIGHTERS."

This statement was made in Detroit yesterday by Dr. Robert Wilson, director of the petroleum unit of the U.S. Office of Production Management, in the course of a speech before the Detroit Engineering Society. Dr. Wilson added: "If, of their 24,000 planes, the Nazis used 8,000 in one attack in a single day, the raid would have consumed six or seven million gallons of gasoline, cutting into their reserves dangerously." — Reuter.

# THRILLING TANK BATTLE STORY

How Italians Nearly Broke Through At Benghazi

## Graphic Picture Of Last Grim Fight In Cyrenaica

TANK CORPS OFFICERS ACTUALLY ENGAGED IN THE THICK OF THE LIBYAN OPERATIONS CULMINATING IN THE CAPTURE OF BENGHAZI HAVE GIVEN FIRST-HAND ACCOUNTS OF THE CAMPAIGN WHICH UNDERLINES THE OUTSTANDING SUCCESS ACHIEVED BY THE BRITISH ARMY IN ITS FIRST LARGE-SCALE APPLICATION OF ENTIRELY NOVEL METHODS OF WARFARE.

The work of light tank units was described by an officer who took part in the offensive from the capture of Sidi Barrani to the cutting off of Benghazi from the south.

"The job," he said, "was to carry out reconnaissance and go on in front of our forces and isolate the place, preventing the defenders getting away and also reinforcements getting to them. Then, when infantry and bigger tanks and other arms had got the better of the place, we went on to the next objective and got that isolated."

So it was at Bardia and Tobruk. After the fall of Tobruk, when the Australians went on along the coast road to Derna, we went in to the desert to the east of Benghazi and were there until it had been captured.

Then we had word that the Italians along the coast were beginning to stream away westwards at a tremendous pace. Orders came to go straight across the desert to the coast road south of Benghazi to cut off the enemy's retreat.

The going was very difficult — over very rough stuff. Thirty miles of it was the worst tank country I had ever seen — rocks, cactus and boulders. And we were racing the clock all the time.

### Thermos Bombs

Italian planes had dropped showers of thermos bombs on our line of advance but they didn't stop us. We got to the coast — 150 miles cross country — in 30 hours.

We arrived in the nick of time. Coming down the road was a long column of Italian lorries and guns and the start of a stream out of Benghazi — all coming anyhow.

It was half an hour from night-fall. We attacked at once and by the time it was dark they were finished, vehicles abandoned, crippled or overturned. We took a thousand in half an hour.

At dawn my regiment went north to give warning of anything coming.

### The Main Body

Soon there approached a big enemy fighting column with tanks and guns. It was the main body of Italians. There were 70 medium tanks.

We attacked with our cruiser tanks. This was the day of the decisive battle. The Italians fought fiercely to break through the rectangular pen we had got them in.

We sent back that the enemy was coming and went off ahead and into action.

The battle went on from dawn until dusk. We held them all day — just about 4.30 they looked as though they might manage to break through. In the nick of

## SEATTLE BLACK-OUT EXERCISE

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD")

The first black-out trial began yesterday in Seattle, according to a message from that city. Six thousand wardens patrolled the waterfront while the city was in darkness. — International News Service.

## A CREEPY FEELING

"ONE SWALLOW DOESN'T MAKE A SUMMER BUT ONE SWALLOW IS ALWAYS FIRST," SAYS THE SWEDISH NEWSPAPER "GOTHENBURG HANDELS-TIDNING. COMMENTING ON THE LOTOPAN RAID.

"Light English sea forces have made a descent on an island in Norway, which seems to be a flock of early sparrows. We wonder if the Quilings have a little creep feeling when they hear that." — Reuter.

## INDO-CHINA'S NEW SUBMARINES

Saigon Radio states that French Naval forces in Indo-China were increased on Thursday with the arrival of two French submarines and one tender-ship from Dakar.

## FOUR MILLION BERLINERS SIT IN CELLARS

DAVID LAWRENCE, writing in the New York "Sun," quotes extensively from a letter from a neutral diplomat lately in Berlin describing the deterioration of German morale.

"The German people, especially the workers, are far from being the united force they are supposed to be," the diplomat declares. "Discontent gains ground from the following causes."

"First are the British air raids. Although Berlin as yet not suffering greatly, other cities in Germany, especially in the western provinces, Dusseldorf, Kiel, Köln, Bremen and Hamburg, have had no peace for months and have suffered great damage.

"In Berlin itself, factories and workshops have been blown up and burnt. Berlin is especially vulnerable in this respect. As the German people have always been assured by Marshal Goering that it was impossible for enemy aircraft to penetrate across their defences, few proper air raid shelters have been provided.

### Moral Effect

"However, during the three months of our stay in Berlin, though there were air raids four or five times a week, the num-

### Cellar Abuse

"The four million inhabitants of Berlin, sitting in their cellars, use their time to abuse everything and everybody, and even show admiration for the R.A.F.'s skill in conducting raids across such great distances.

"Another cause of dissatisfaction connected with air raids is that Germans are beginning to realise that their press and propaganda cannot be relied upon, and open scepticism is often expressed." — Reuter.



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## WARSHIPS FOR BRITAIN

By K. SMITH

SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD" International News Service learned in Washington yesterday that a number of American warships, including destroyers and torpedo-boats, will be turned over to Britain after the Lease and Lend Bill is passed.

Details are not complete but there is a possibility that the American warships may be exchanged for one or more British battleships.

The Navy Department has moved to obtain Congressional authorisation for such an exchange. If President Roosevelt should wish to make it, — International News Service.

### Great Mass

All the time the battle was in progress a prodigious amount of enemy transport kept pouring down the road. It collected in great mass and jammed.

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Night came and there was no further fighting.

Just as it was light, Italian tanks came at the column. We had across the road to the column. The only effective defence was at that point against medium tanks was a battery of anti-tank guns and they suffered heavy casualties.

Before long the battery commander was shooting the gun himself.

Just at that time they had knocked out about 18 of the remaining enemy tanks. The other eight surrendered. So did the thousands of Italian officers and men, including General Berganzoli.

An hour after dawn it was all over except declaring the battle-field. We had got Benghazi and cleared Cyrenaica.

### Bad Feeling

After describing the extraordinary trying conditions under which the campaigning took place — heat, glare, dust and frequent mirage by day, icy cold by night — the officer summarised impressions gained from the attitude of Italian prisoners.

There was evident bad feeling, he said, between Black Shirts and regulars. Politics in fact, were spoiling the Italian army.

A senior officer told him politics had dictated strategy and it was Mussolini who had ordered the advance into Egypt, which was militarily unsound as the army was not equipped.

A heavy tanks officer in turn described the work of his units fighting from Sidi Barrani to Tobruk.

"Sidi Barrani," he said, "was defended by four forts, each about two miles in circumference, and fortified by ditch, wall, wire, machine-guns and anti-tank guns. We had to take all four in one day."

### Thrilling Conditions

Our first wave crashed through the fortifications and when we followed we saw tanks burning, heaps of dead around the guns, trucks on fire, miles running about and prisoners straggling back.

The second, third and fourth forts were captured under the same thrilling battle conditions.

After Sidi Barrani came the assault on Bardia — where the chief feature was masterly co-operation between the Army, Navy and Air Force — and finally the reduction of Tobruk.

It is the War Office intention, in view of the keen public interest and appreciation, to arrange further talks in London from time to time by officers who have been actually engaged in operations in various theatres of war. — British Wireless.

## PAPEN INVITATION REJECTED

It is reported from Ankara that the Turkish Cabinet has declined an invitation by the German Ambassador, Herr Von Papen, to see the German film, "Victory in the West."

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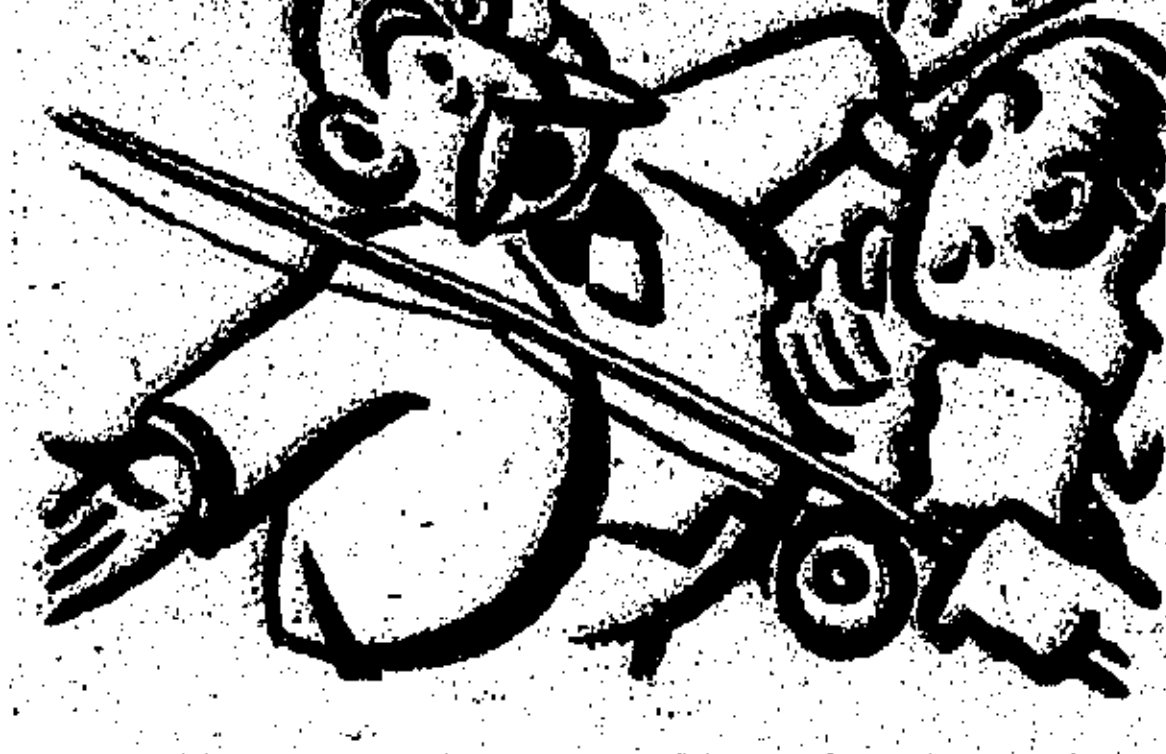
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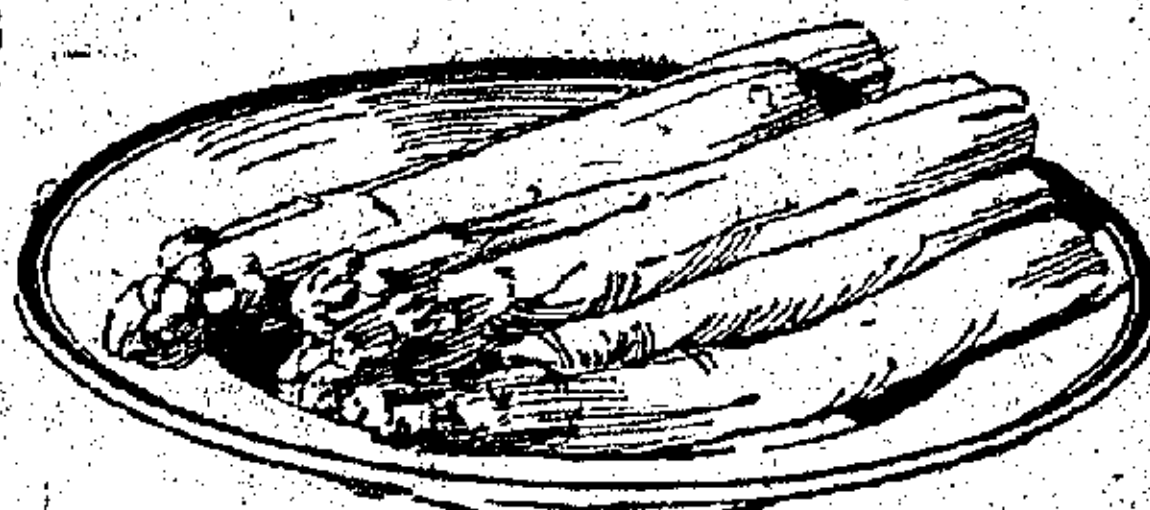


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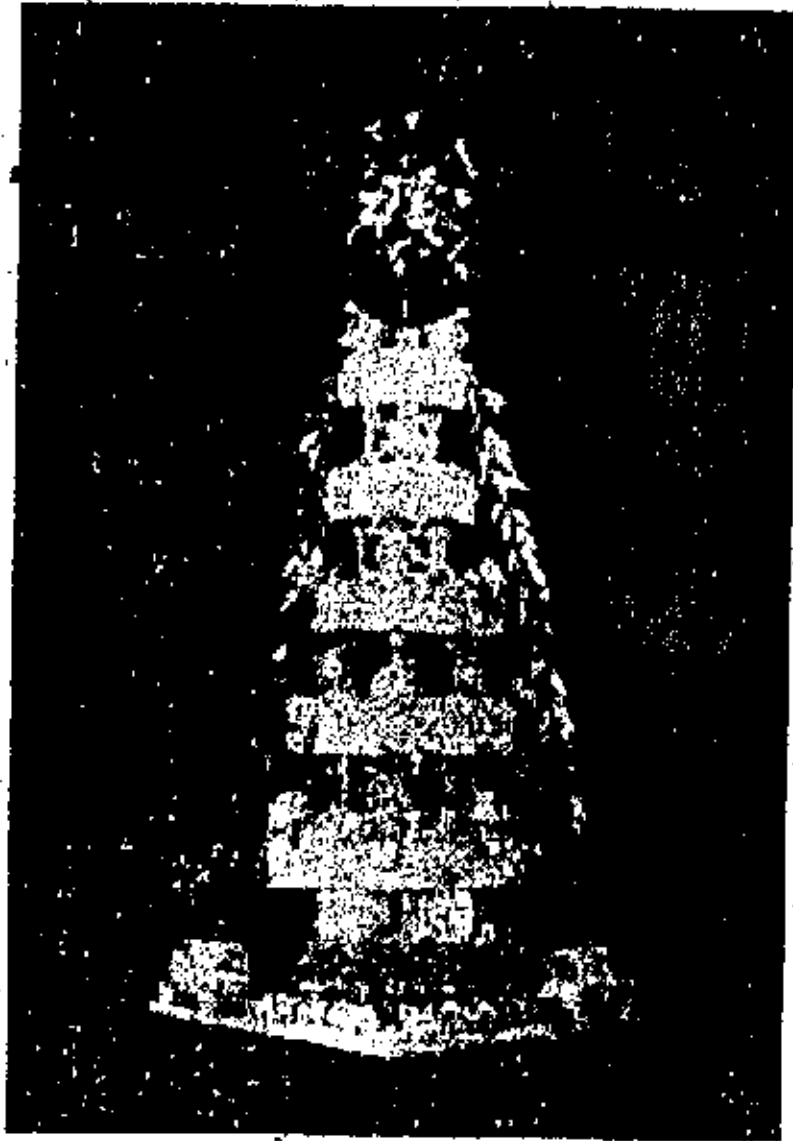
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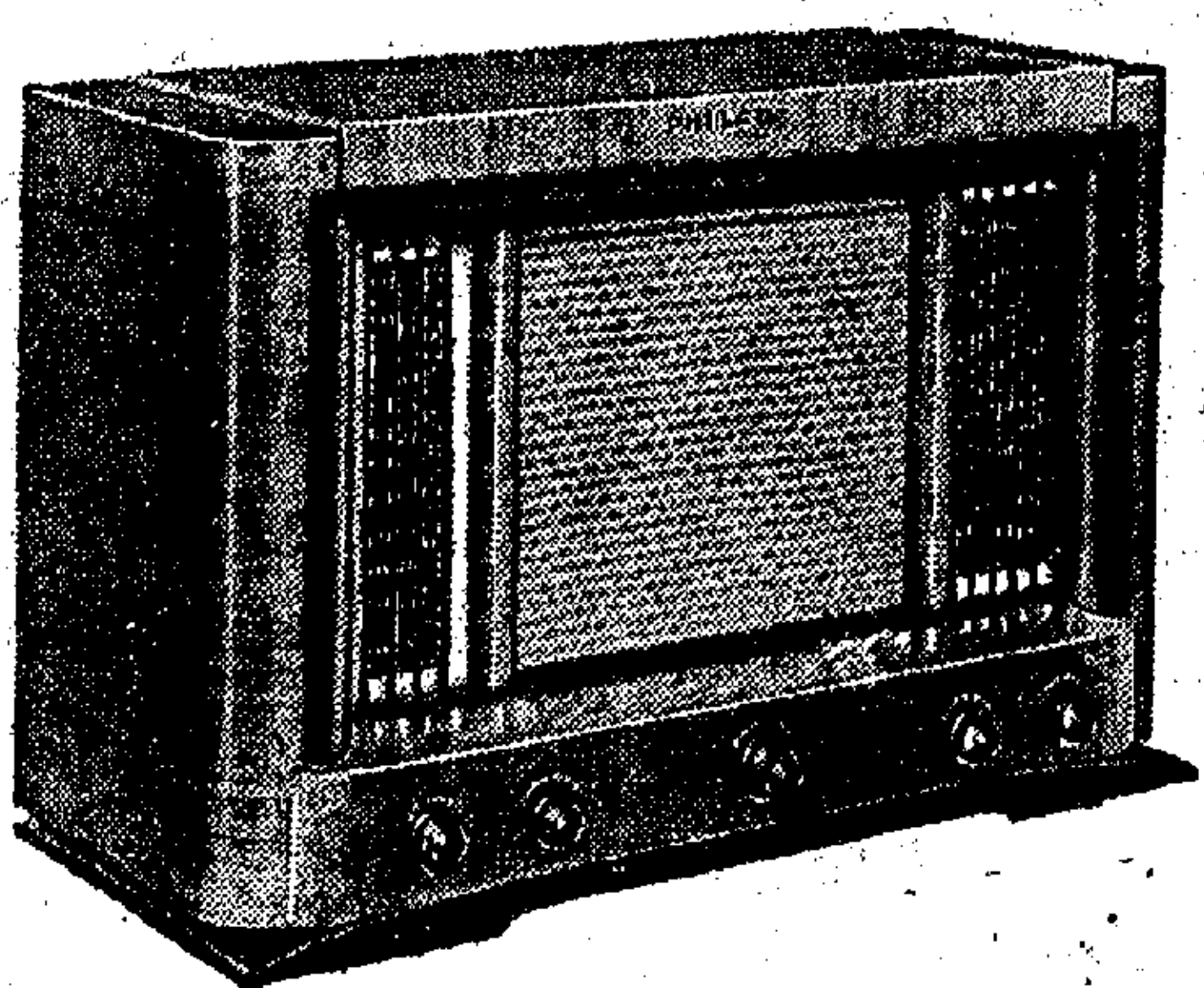


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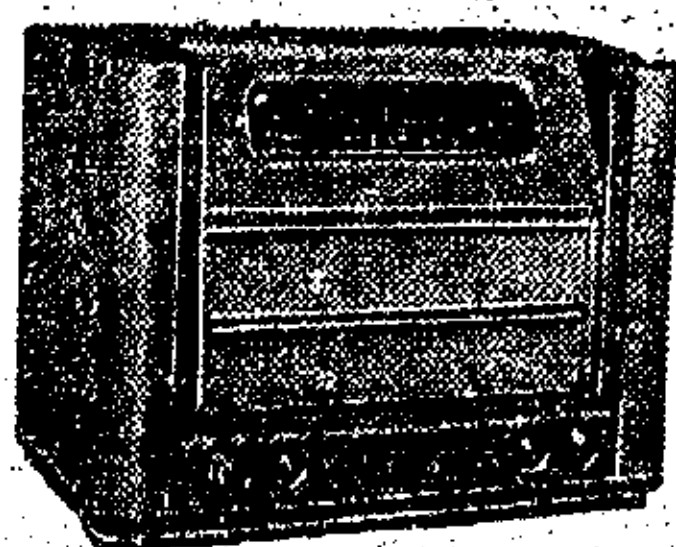
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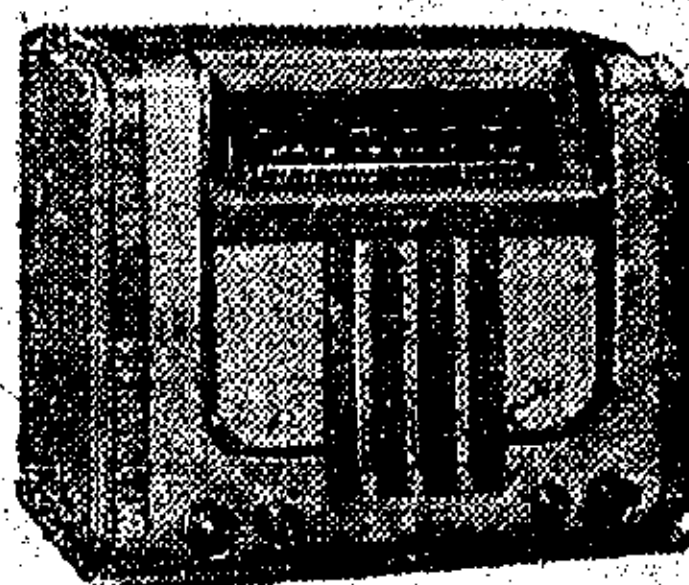
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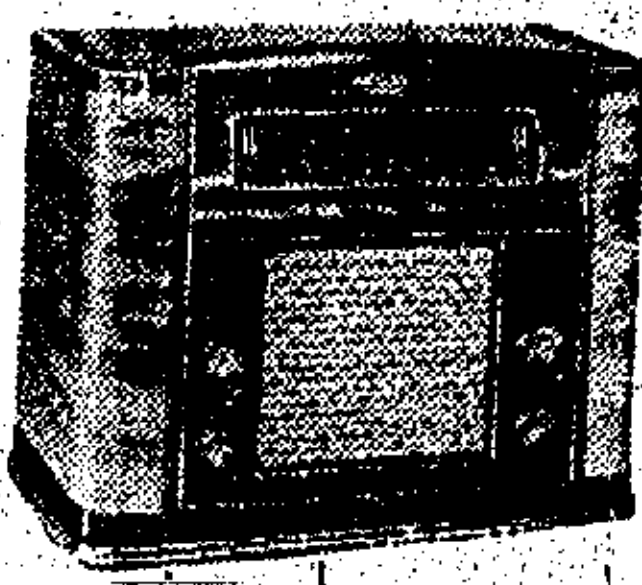
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"It's exciting to see you," exclaimed Murray, smiling at Penny. "When you came out East, I never thought to see you again. Yet here I am, in Hong Kong, talking to you as if ten thousand miles and eight years meant nothing."

"It is wonderful, isn't it?" replied Penny. "You scoffed because I wanted to see the world and here you are, on your way to New Zealand. But I thought you were coming to live in Hong Kong."

"Yes, it was all arranged. And I spent a year learning Cantonese, all for nothing. I suppose you're an expert. 'No, it wasn't necessary. Every body speaks English here.' 'Really? How I remember our arguments, Frank! I said you could find all the adventure, all the strange peoples you wanted, in London, but you would have none of it. 'Do you remember all you said? The magic East! Hong Kong, the meeting place of swarming Asiatic races, Chinese, Malays, Filipinos, Moslems with their hair dyed red, stalwart turbaned Sikhs with thick beards and thin voices. Gun-runners, opium-smugglers, fortune-hunters of every race and colour.'"

Penny smiled. "I was very young. One grows up."

"Not too much, I hope. I've only this evening and to-morrow, and I want you to show me round."

"Of course, old man. I've got it all planned out. To-night, the hotel for dinner and dancing. In the morning, a round of golf.

of the glamour of the East. Didn't you find any?"

"I'm afraid I didn't look. Is it glamour you want?"

"Not exactly. It's people, human reactions. I know how silly it sounds, but I want a glimpse below the surface, to see the depths — and the heights."

As he looked at his friend across the long slim glasses, Murray made a sudden decision. Even at the cost of hurting Penny, he would not waste his one evening in Hong Kong behind a "boiled shirt."

"I suppose I can't persuade you to come sight-seeing?" he suggested tentatively.

"There's nothing I could show you. And we couldn't disappoint the girls. Come on. We must go."

"Not this evening, Lister. Frank! But Penny! We were signing a chit for drinks, did you not look at him. He fumbled in his pocket for a coin to tip the boy, then walked to the door of the hotel and raised his hand. Murray followed. Two rickshas pulled ran lightly towards them. "Peak Tram Station," ordered Penny.

"Just a minute," said Murray. "I'm not coming just yet."

"All right," replied Penny, good-humouredly. "I see you're bent on having your own way. I'll see you when you get back. Come along to the hotel if you can. If not, any taxi will bring you to the house. Cheerio!"

He jumped into the first ricksha. The second pulled looked at Murray. "What side master?" he asked.

"I don't know. I want to see Hong Kong." Seeing the man's vacant expression, he repeated it in Cantonese. An understanding smile wreathed the puller's face. He picked up the shafts.

A moment later they were swerving through traffic, missing pedestrians by a fraction of an inch, crossing buses and trams and intersecting streams of motor-cars. Murray looked around him eagerly; at the dainty Chinese girls, the straight lines of whose dresses showed to advantage their incredible slowness, and their erect, graceful carriage. He saw a venerable blind beggar, with a look of peace on his face, clutching a one-stringed fiddle, whilst the small boy who led him, obviously not more than seven or eight, was firing jokes at the passers-by and holding out his tin for coppers. Onward sped the ricksha, past Cloth Street, pecked tight with voices and noise-laden with their women and the clatter of their shoes, as they proved round inspecting the fabrics.

Presently the ricksha turned up one of the many narrow alleyways and after winding through a few streets, came to a halt. The puller placed the shafts of his vehicle on the ground, knocked at a door, and waited. A panel slid back, and a face peered through. A whispered conversation, and an old lady motioned Murray to enter. She looked a rather fine old lady, with clear, steady eyes and a dignified air. He paid the puller and followed. He could not imagine what he had let himself in for, but whatever it was, it felt like Cantonese was going to be useful.

The room into which he was led was sumptuously furnished, with a thick-piled blue carpet, settees and arm-chairs covered in blue silk brocade, and heavy curtains of blue silk. It contrasted strangely with the house's dingy exterior and with the quiet appearance of the woman herself.

"It's a handsome place you have here," said Murray, feeling for something to say.

"We have a reputation to maintain. We have the finest girls in Hong Kong. Would you like a young girl?"

"Girl?" repeated Murray, in a startled voice. She went out without listening to his reply and returned with a slim, tiny girl, wrapped in a Chinese dressing-gown and obviously little else. She held her close with her hand. Her cheeks were drenched in rouge and her eyes, in mascara, but, behind the cosmetics, the girl's extreme youth was evident. She advanced towards him with a confident smile, sat on his knee and held up her lips to him. Preceding not to notice, he turned to the woman. "Is this one of your girls? She looks very young."

"Yes. We have the youngest girls in Hong Kong. She's my best one. She's just thirteen. A wave of nausea attacked him. This

is what he had let himself in for! He was completely out of his depth. For a moment he thought of rushing out, but he held himself in check.

"Who is she?" he asked, "where did she come from?"

"I bought her for fifty Chinese dollars. It's a big price, but I don't pick up starvelings of the streets. A good friend brought them for me from Canton. This one I call the Opium-girl. Her father sold her to satisfy his craving for the drug. He received \$25 for her; my friend got the other \$25. 'Another is the rice-girl; her parents had to sell her because they were starving. Then there is my mah-jong girl, my fan-tan girl and my Chiang girl; her father was conscripted to fight for China.' She giggled nervously as she watched the effect of her originality. Murray acknowledged her humour by nodding.

The little girl, meanwhile, had been sitting quietly on Murray's knee, seemingly unaware that the conversation concerned her. Watching her off her guard, he could see what a childish, pathetic little figure she was.

"Would you like to go upstairs, now?" the woman asked.

"The girl seemed to spring to attention, resumed her professional smile, slid off his knees and stood waiting. Murray, with a sudden access of fear, shook his head. He didn't know how to get out of this. He saw the girl's smile disappear and divined that his refusal would be misinterpreted.

"I think she's a very nice girl," he said, standing up. "But I'm not in the mood. I'll come another time."

"I have plenty of girls, much better ones. If you will wait, I'll bring you some." Her eager salesmanship had a note of asperity and her mask of urbanity was beginning to slip from her face.

"No. I didn't mean to come here at all, but the ricksha brought me." He took a ten-dollar note from his pocket and handed it to her.

"I'm really on a sight-seeing expedition," he explained. "Can you tell me somewhere I can go next?"

"Of course. I'll tell the opium-girl to get dressed. She will take you." In a few minutes a girl came in and was soon leading him down the street.

So thick was the curtain of cigarette smoke, so jarring the confusion of noises, that it was some moments before Murray realised where he was. The room was full of chattering women, voices pitched high to penetrate the clatter of the mah-jong pieces. There were several tables, and around them were seated women, vivid in rich silk dresses and jewellery. Beside each was a pile of notes. No one took the slightest notice of him, but watered their game with intensity. A whispered conversation, and a girl wandered idly round the tables. At one table was a group of four men playing a different game, each person having eight little tablets with which to play. The men were playing listlessly as if in a daze. The women were full of chattering and women's voices were pitched high to penetrate the clatter of the mah-jong pieces.

Murray, having watched for some time, without anyone speaking to him, concluded that visitors were not pressed to take part unless they wished to. If they did, they had to wait at a table until the game was over, and then join in the next. He was about to go when a youthful Chinese woman who had been standing near one of the tables, came over to him. She was tall, and moved so gracefully that she hardly seemed to walk at all. She was startlingly beautiful. She put her long cigarette-holder to her lips and her crimson nails made a thrilling contrast against the whiteness of her complexion. With her delicately moulded features, oval face and jet black hair brushed shorn away from it, she reminded Murray of one of the fairy princesses in the old Chinese story-books. But her words were prosaic. "Aren't you going to play?" she asked.

"I'd prefer not to."

"Oh, you can please yourself."

here. Would you like to come upstairs?"

"Yes," said Murray eagerly. "What you got up there?"

"My bedroom," she said in icy tones. "What did you think?" She was so lovely, so entrancingly different from any girl he had ever known, that for a moment he was torn by temptation.

"I didn't know," he stammered, feeling very foolish and very gauche. "I don't think I can come with you now."

She shrugged her shoulder indifferently.

"Would you like a pipe?" he asked.

"I smoke cigarettes," he replied.

"I meant opium," her voice rippled.

pled with laughter.

"No, thank you," he muttered. "You don't seem to want anything. Why on earth did you pay ten dollars to come here?"

"I don't really know. I just wanted to see what people did in these places."

"And what have you seen?" she asked in a more friendly voice. "Well, I've seen a lot of women with expressions like wolves. I didn't know that women could look and feel like that. They're worse than that. They're here to cheat each other. None of them trusts the others. If you watch carefully, you'll see pairs making signs. They're too stupid to see that the others are doing it too. Some of them lose hundreds of dollars a night."

"But why do they come here? They could play just as easily at home, without paying for the privilege. The owners of the house don't seem to take any part."

"Exactly. They don't seem to. In fact, they have their people planted at some of the tables, people who really understand the art of cheating. Of course the women could play at home if they wished, but they couldn't let themselves go like they do here. Their families expect them to act as if they were civilised. Here they can swear at each other like codies, they can tear each other's hair when tempers become strained, they can cheat and lie and scream. The house can take four hundred dollars a night in entrance fees alone. And there are many others of the same kind."

"Thank you for telling me all this," he said. "I think I must go now."

"Where are you going?"

"I haven't decided. I'm seeing the sights."

"I'd like to help you, but you're too hard to please. Well, good luck." She bent towards him, and as she did so, a green pendant she was wearing swung forward and caught the light.

"How wonderful!" he exclaimed, trying not to see her lips, "may I look at your pendant?"

It occurred to him afterwards that she might justly have shown anger at his ungallantry, but her expression did not change.

"It's jade," she told him. "haven't you seen any before?"

"No. I haven't. I've never thought about it."

Twenty minutes later Murray found himself in the shop of Wing Kee, examining wondrous in long glass counters, protected by heavy brass rails, and secured by padlocks. As he looked round, he saw that the windows, too, were heavily barred. There were no other customers, and the four assistants, who were conversing rilly, did not trouble to look at him. The master of the shop, an old gentleman in a long-sleeved, grey silk and black silk cap and slippers, looked at him through spectacles whose narrow frames rather emphasised his benignity than to aid his sight.

Wing Kee did not speak, however, but allowed him to examine his treasures without interruption. Arthur, scrutinised with pleasure a ring with a deep green stone, which sparkled with some splendour under the electric light. Evelyn would love to have that. He transferred his attention to a pendant, carved minutely with patient Chinese carver's hands. He visualised the vivid redness of her hair, flanked by those two slender columns of scintillating green.

"Excuse me," he said to Wing Kee.

"Do tell me something about your treasures."

"Wing's spectacles shone. 'I should be delighted,' he said. 'It's not often that an Englishman with a knowledge of Cantonese comes to my humble establishment. Most of those who do come pretend they know all about jade and so on.'

"The ancient Chinese," Wing Kee told Murray, "esteemed jade above all other jewels because they believed it had magic properties. Young women, hidden by their parents from the eyes of the world, believed it might bring them a husband full of gentleness and courtesy, typically Chinese virtues. Old men believed it would endow them with virility, a typically Chinese desire. Now we are a little more enlightened — though your countrymen are often loath to believe it — but still we like to hold on to the old superstitions."

"They call it wishful thinking these days," remarked Murray. "It isn't often I have so eager a listener." Wing smiled at his pleasure. "Please come to my room." He led Murray through a steel grille into a little room crammed so full of tables and stands and pedestals, that he had to pick his way carefully through them. Wing, having uncovered a chair to sit on, went out, returning with two little bowls of green tea.

"What a marvellous collection you've got," said Arthur. "I could spend a month here just gazing with admiration. But surely you can't find many customers for things as rich as these."

"I suppose I'm like many other dealers. I'm glad when no one comes to take them from me. They are my children. Each piece has its own story, and when my work is finished, I like to sit here and meditate on it."

"Isn't that wonderful," said Arthur, pointing to an oblong screen, mounted on a stand with dragons for feet. The background was a dull white, and against it was drawn, in rubies and emeralds and gold, a picture of a Chinese of ancient days, surrounded by his seven adoring wives.

"That," explained Wing, "is said to have come from the palace of the Emperor of the West at a time when China was split into five kingdoms. It was dug from the mountains of Furkuan. The emperor had his jade slaves, who were chained to the snow-capped mountain-tops. Their task was to loosen the jade boulders, and roll them into the valley below, where lived the other jade-slaves. With their saws and diamond-drill, they carved and polished the jade. They spent their lives in caves in the mountain-side, seldom seeing the light of day."

Wing Kee turned to piece after piece and explained the story of each. This wine-pot of brilliant black jade surrounded by three attendant cups was made for the bridal ceremony of a Manchu princess. This vase of white and red, representing fishes in the act of turning into dragons, once graced the desk of a famous scholar. The fish, aspiring to be a dragon, is symbolic of student striving upwards to the wisdom of the gods. There were peakers and incense-burners, and linked chains denoting friendship, and the eight symbols of good fortune.

"I wish I could spend a week here," breathed Murray. "But I've already overstayed my welcome. And still I've not chosen a present for Evelyn."

"For a lady in England?" asked Wing Kee. He took out a bunch of keys and opened a drawer. Inside were pendants and brooches and ear-rings. He called Arthur over and turned the articles over one by one, glancing at Arthur's face from time to time as he did so. Then he drew out a ring, with a stone of pale lavender, whose beauty made Murray gasp. "I'm afraid not," he said regretfully, "perhaps I've unintentionally deceived you. It must be something quite plain and cheap."

"Please, make an old man," replied Wing Kee. He brushed away Arthur's protests with a gentle gesture of his fine long fingers. A moment later, Arthur was in the street, staring at the ring, and dazed by his good fortune.

"You're too late for dinner," said Penny. "But I expect the waiter can get you a sandwich or something. This is Sylvia and this is Susan. Arthur bowed to them. "Sandwich? Yes, I think I will. I forgot all about dinner." To the girls, he said, "Please forgive my rudeness in not coming earlier," said Susan.

"Frank has told us about you," your depths and heights?"

"Yes, I think I did. I saw the depths of human extravagance and degradation, the height of human folly and stupidity. He began to tell how he spent his evening, and because Hong Kong beyond the main streets had been to them a pathless jungle, they listened with more than ordinary interest. When he had finished, Susan said, "You've had a busy time. But there's one point I seem to have missed. The extravagance, the degradation and the generosity are obvious, but whose was the responsibility?"

"My own."

"I don't understand. I thought you'd had a very successful evening. And I wish someone would give me a ring like that."

"There are jewels more precious than jade."

"Of course. But what do you mean?"

"Experience."

"I still don't understand," said Susan.

"I'm not quite sure myself," replied Murray. "But I'll never meet a girl as enchanting again, if I live to be a thousand."

"Excuse me," he said to Wing Kee.











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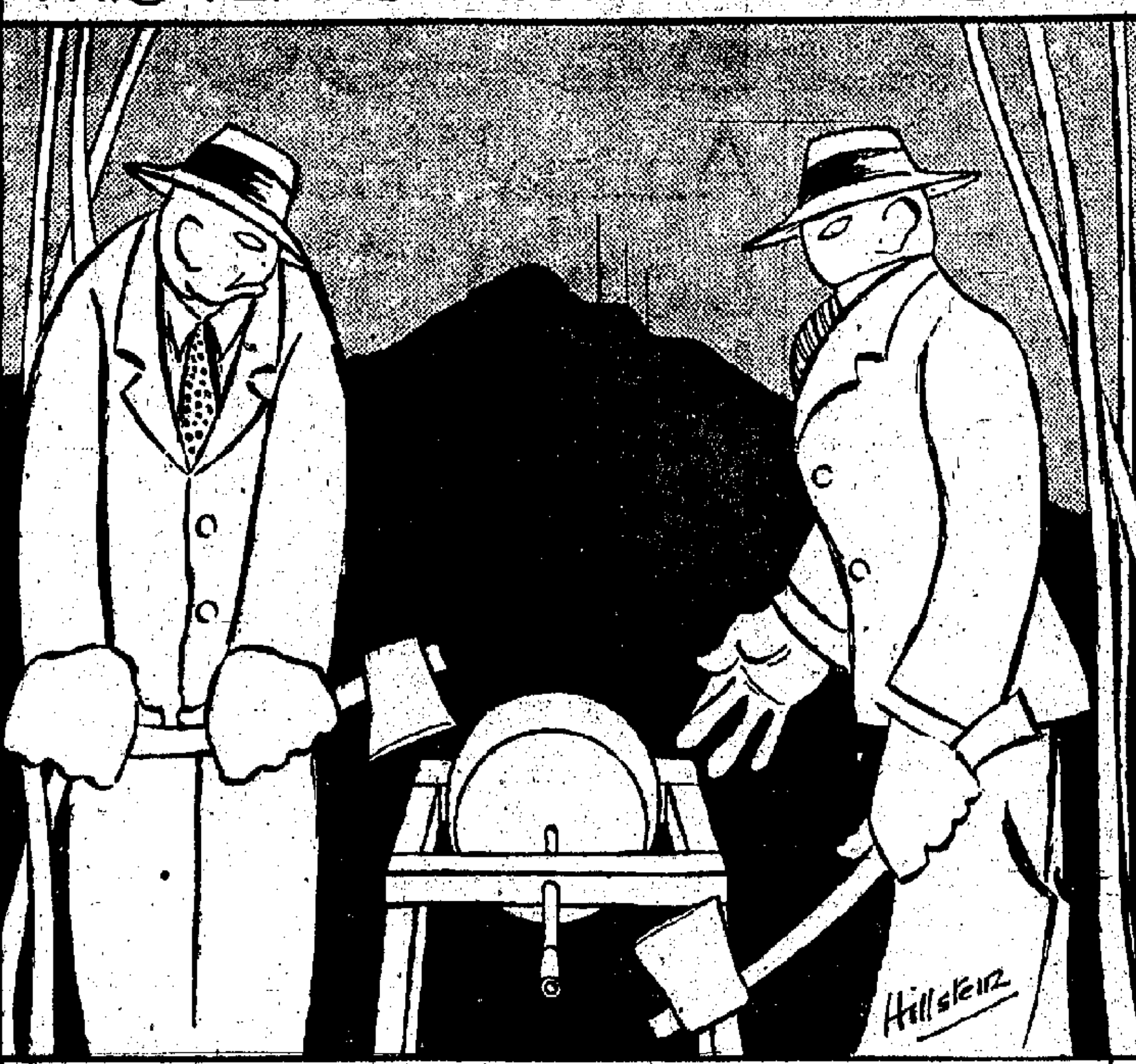
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OCCASIONALLY, when objecting to reports in the press President Roosevelt has based his complaint on the loose use of words. He has protested that it is inaccurate and misleading to write that he or the administration is "considering" a plan when the plan is merely in the discussion stage among subordinates, however trusted and influential. He has also questioned the accuracy of reporting that something is being "seriously considered" when it is only being "inspected with interest."

In such complaints the President has been on firm ground. Especially, under the New Deal—a band of incessantly active ideamen—Washington plans and projects sprout each week by the hundreds. Most of them die; a few reach the

stage of inspection with interest by the President; fewer come into the categories of consideration, serious consideration, or action.

This is by way of preface to an account of certain plans for Anglo-American naval cooperation which have been discussed among some military experts and New Deal political strategists in Washington. It is written to disassociate the account from any implication that these plans will be adopted and acted upon by President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill. In speculations whether Hitler and Japan will move in reasonably concerted aggression on the opposite sides of the earth and what the United States can do about it, consideration of these plans—though possibly still in the conversational stage—may be serviceable.

In the discussions out of which the ideas were born the question of conveying merchant ships naturally entered. But there can be little doubt among persons who have read the Constitution and the history of the office of president, that Mr. Roosevelt is fully empowered to deal with this as he sees fit, if and when action arises, and without any reference to that section of the lease-lend bill which mentions the matter. In that section Congress puts on the record the undoubted fact that, in passing the bill, Congress does not intend the President to assume for a moment, it has either authorized or encouraged the use of convoys. But this does not alter the President's full power to settle that matter of policy on his own responsibility to Congress and the people. If he decides to make any use of convoys outside what he has marked as combat zones under the unrepented Neutrality Act, he is legally free to do so.

Therefore, the planners have not been bothering their heads especially over this phase of Anglo-American naval cooperation, since it has legal as well as political connotations. Their thoughts have been addressed to the problem how a nation with a one-ocean Navy, the United States, can help the British materially in one—the Atlantic—for purposes of the blockade and be aided by the British materially in the other—the Pacific—that the Japanese may be induced to watch their step. In the discussions of which this correspondent has heard there may be others, and none may ever get beyond the rating of chin-music—two plans, were

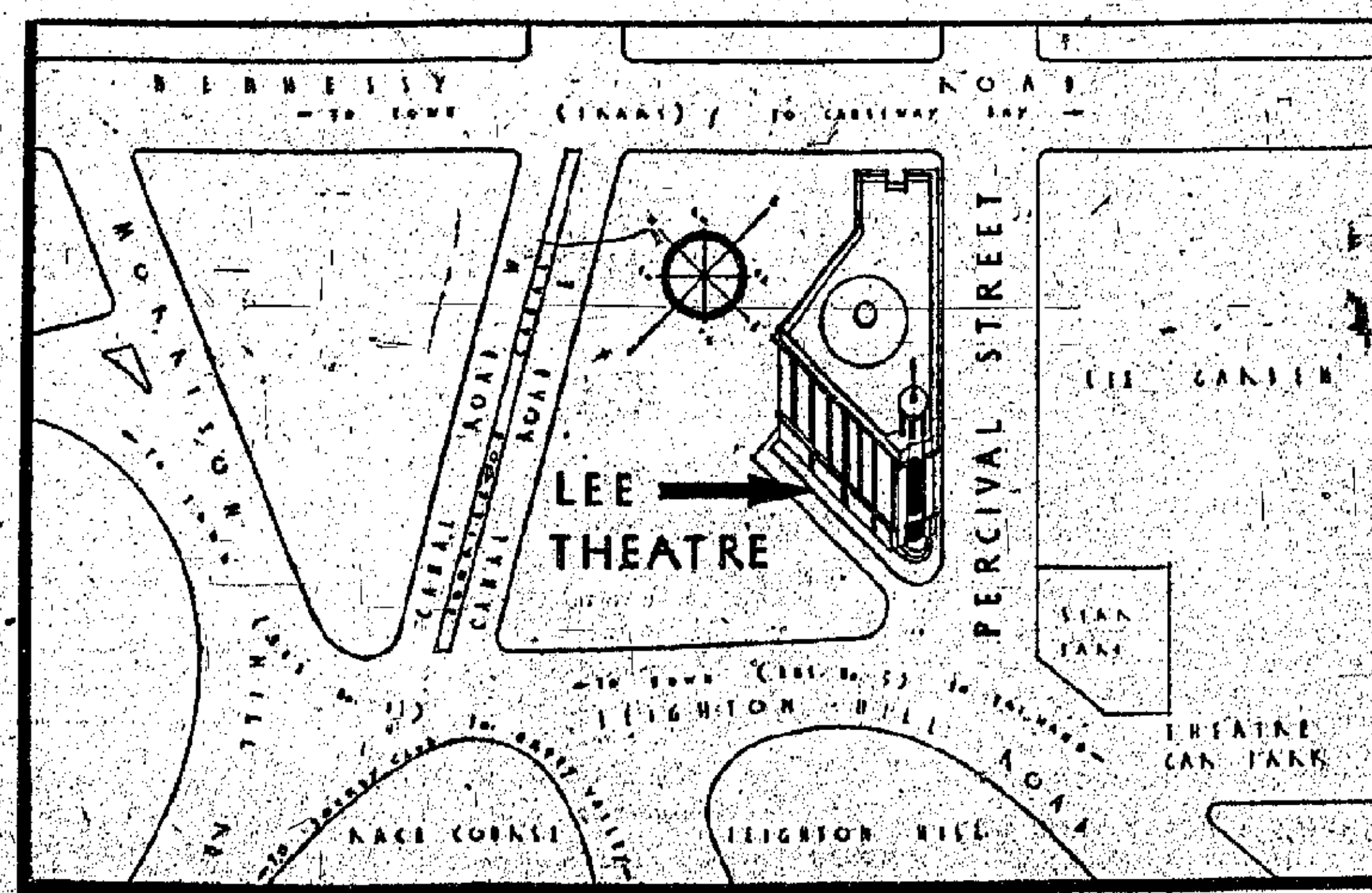
evolved to meet the problem.

Plan One: The blockade and naval condition in the Atlantic call for the use of smaller warships, especially light cruisers, destroyers and mosquito boats. For our own protection, so long as the British Navy is aloft and formidable, America can afford to release to British several vessels of this character on a basis of exchange.

Plan Two: The best of exchange for cruisers and mosquito craft leased or given for Atlantic service would be so many for one modern battleship like the George V. The Pacific is the ocean in which the American Navy would have chief responsibility, if Hitler and Japan move simultaneously, the official and temporary alliance which would be the result of the passage of the lease-lend bill. In the Pacific the naval problem calls for big modern battleships. The transfer of a squadron of these to us by the British would more than compensate for our transfer of lighter warcraft to them, ease the U.S. Navy's problem, and give it great strength.

There are a good many people, generally in touch with the inside of state affairs and familiar with the ratings of those from whom these plans have emerged, who will not be in the least surprised if both, or an approach to both, plans are put in motion after the passage of H. R. 1778.

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# FOUR TEAMS IN RUNNING FOR BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP

## Extremely Interesting Position In "B" Division Of League

### University "A" Win The Senior Division Title With Unbeaten Record

By "Adrem"

PROVING FAR SUPERIOR TO ANY OTHER TEAM IN THE LEAGUE, UNIVERSITY "A" HAVE WON THE SENIOR BADMINTON CHAMPIONSHIP FOR THE CURRENT YEAR, SECURING TWICE THE NUMBER OF POINTS AS THEIR NEAREST RIVALS, WHO ARE UNIVERSITY "B".

Very satisfactory progress has been made in both divisions of the League, all teams in "A" Division having now completed their fixtures and only a few matches being outstanding in "B" Division.

The decision of the Association to divide the junior division into two sections has now proved to be a wise one and an extremely interesting situation has arisen as the League season nears its end. In Section "A" Chung Wah are at the head of the table, having completed their fixtures for the loss of only one match. It is fairly certain, however, that King's, who have only to play Recreio, will win this match and thus finish with the same number of points as Chung Wah.

In Section "B" Kowloon Cricket Club and St. John's, each with one more match to play, have the same number of points and as both teams are expected to win their final fixture, another tie is probable.

#### Play-Offs Necessary?

In both sections, therefore, it will be necessary for the two teams

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### BADMINTON STANDINGS

Following are official League Badminton Standings:

"A" DIVISION			
Team	P.	W.	L.
University "A"	6	0	0
University "B"	4	3	1
Recreio	2	4	4
Chinese	1	5	2

"B" DIVISION			
Team	P.	W.	L.
Chung Wah	8	7	1
King's	7	6	1
Recreio	7	3	4
V.R.C.	3	4	6
K.C.C.	0	0	6

Section "B"			
Team	P.	W.	L.
K.C.C.	7	6	1
St. John's	7	4	0
K. Tong	7	4	0
Police	6	2	4
Police	7	0	7

### BIG MATCH IN COLONY TOURNEY

By "Adrem"

Several changes have been made in the opening fixtures in the Colony Badminton Championships, which start in the course of the week. The major attraction will be the senior singles match on Friday between C. Au, of Chinese Y.M.C.A. and H. Eardley, of St. John's, a former Shanghai champion, and evidently, in order that the large crowd which is certain to attend will not be greatly inconvenienced, the venue has been changed from Tai Kok Club to the more accessible Club de Recreio, and the time advanced an hour in order to fit in with the other fixtures arranged for the King's Park Club for that evening. It will be recalled that these two players met in the later stages of the same event last year and Au, although not nearly as powerful a player as Eardley, emerged the winner by reason of his clever disguise of intention and fine courtcraft. Au, on League performances, does not seem to be playing quite as well this year as he did when he last met Eardley, whereas the latter, although Naval duties have taken up a great deal of his time, is fighting fit and this may enable him to turn the tables.

#### Times Changed

Owing to the inability of H. Dingsdale to play on Thursday, his junior singles match against P. A. Yvanovich has been postponed. In consequence, the times of all subsequent matches arranged for that evening have been brought forward one hour. Although he is not likely to be greatly extended the first appearance of P. K. Hooi, former triple title-holder, after an absence from the tournament of one season, will be watched with interest, while another centre of attraction will be the debut of W. Choy, of University, who will appear in a men's doubles match on Thursday week in partnership with K. B. Low, against the powerful Recreio combination of J. J. Remedios and H. F. Gonsalves. Miss F. Wong and Miss C. White, of St. Andrew's, having entered for the Ladies' doubles, entries received for this event

IN THE LIMELIGHT, NO. 60

## K. HUSSAIN TO UMPIRE SIXTH SUCCESSIVE HOCKEY INTERPORT

By "Adrem"

CLOSELY identified with hockey both as an executive and as a player since his arrival in Hong Kong some years ago, K. Hussain will make the trip to Macao to-day to umpire his sixth successive hockey Interport match between the British and Portuguese colonies.

Hussain, one of the greatest hockey enthusiasts in Hong Kong, first learned the game when at school in Sarodha in India in 1922. As a left-half he secured a place in his class team but he never succeeded in gaining his school colours, which is not surprising as Government High School, where he was educated, was considered one of the finest hockey schools in the district, and India of course, turns out more first-class hockey players per square mile than any other country.

This period in Hussain's hockey career therefore does not make inspiring reading and it was not until he arrived in Hong Kong that he really found himself as a player.

FINISHING school at the end of 1926, Hussain was offered a position with the Hong Kong Civil Service, and always been keen on seeing the Orient, he had little hesitation in accepting.

Early in 1927, therefore, Hussain was at the rail of a liner as it entered Hong Kong harbour, eagerly taking in his first impressions of a port about which he had heard a great deal. Having settled down to local conditions somewhat, he investigated the possibilities of getting in some recreation but was disappointed to find that hockey was not one of the Colony's major sporting attractions and consequently in the next five years, he did not have more than half a dozen games.

#### K.I.T.C. FORMED

BECOMING tired of this inactivity Hussain interested members of Kowloon Indian Tennis Club in hockey and in 1932 the K.I.T.C. team made its first appearance in the local arena. It consisted of members of the side were K. M. Khan, Ahmed Khan, Jahan Dada, Capt. Gore, Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan and, full of enthusiasm, the club entered a team in the Mamak Hockey Tournament, which by that time had made an appearance and was doing very well. The K.I.T.C. team, which their most ardent supporters could not rate higher than just a scratch outfit, did not set Colony hockey circles alight with tales of their prowess and the end of the season found them languishing at the bottom of the League table. Not deterred by their failure, Hussain and his contemporaries really got down to business the following year and a great deal of hard practice bore fruit, the team showing vast improvement

now number seven. It was stated yesterday by Mr. Talan, Hon. Secretary of the Badminton Association, that further entries will be gladly received.

Following is the revised programme of first round matches for this week: THURSDAY, (at King's College) Men's Singles Junior—J. L. Anderson v Ho Weng-tah, (7 p.m.). Men's Singles Senior—S. Amptavan v P. K. Hooi, (7.45 p.m.). Men's Doubles Junior—T. S. Young and M. K. Fung v D. Chelliah and K. H. Khoo, (8.15 p.m.). FRIDAY, (at Recreio) Men's Singles Junior—C. Au v H. C. Eardley, (7 p.m.). Men's Doubles Junior—F. H. and D. Kwok v C. F. Chui and S. C. Liao, (7.45 p.m.). H. M. Lavalley and N. Beltrav v M. Talan and J. Odell, (8.30 p.m.).



BEST INTERPORT

HE considers the Interport between Hong Kong and Macao, played in 1934, the best match he has ever seen locally as it was very fast and scientific, while players whom he rates the finest he has seen here are Willie Reed—the most consistent—Gurbachan Singh, when at his best, Lal Singh and Williams, the Welsh international who played for Club Hussain also holds a big opinion of the erstwhile Club full-back combination of Jack Rodger and Arthur Dand, who were a solid wall of defence even when past their prime.

#### LADIES' HOCKEY

HUSSAIN has always been very interested in ladies' hockey and has been of great assistance to Ladies' Hockey Association in the matter of securing umpires. He thinks very highly of the standard of local ladies and he thinks it a great pity that there has been no League this year as, for interest among the fair sex to be maintained, it is essential that hard and fast rules be laid down.

#### AMBITION REALISED

THE following year Hussain went on leave and thus missed seeing one of the greatest ambitions realised as K.I.T.C., which had by then established themselves as a power in the land, went from success to success and won the championship. They had a really first-class combination that year and included in their side were Gurbachan Singh, then at the height of his hockey career, and one of the best goalkeepers, the late J. M. Pinto, A. P. Souza, the late J. Noronha, D. Noronha, Tara Singh, Mohinder Singh, the present Khalsa left-half, Kishan Singh, Karnail Singh, and M. Ramzan, the Interport goal-keeper.

In 1934 the Malaya team visited Hong Kong and Hussain's organising ability was recognised by the local authorities. He was appointed a member of the Interport Management Committee. In the same year he also struck his best form as a player and he was selected to play for the Interport team in the final of the 1934-40 which included U. B. Souza, A. E. P. Guest, J. Singh, M. H. Hassan, L. B. Kitchell, D. Leonard, Karminder Singh, G. Singh, Awtar Singh, the late J. M. Pinto and J. Singh.

This season Hussain has had little time to play hockey, most of his time having been taken up with executive duties in connection with the Umpires' Association, refereeing and coaching.

#### COUNCIL MEMBER

SINCE the formation of Hong Kong Hockey Association, Hussain has been an active member of the Council and in addition to serving on Interport and Civilian selection committees, he has served regularly as Indian representative for the local International series.

Passed by G. T. Palmer and Major M. H. A. Campbell as a qualified umpire in 1935, Hussain has done a great deal to interest and instruct players in the duties of that much-maligned official. He was appointed Hon. Secretary of the Umpires' Board in 1936, serving with Capt. G. W. P. Kimm, G. T. Palmer, Comdr. Bowerman and Major Whitley, and he has filled the same post ever since.

#### OPTIMISTIC VIEW

HUSSAIN is looking forward eagerly to his trip to Macao to-day, although he confesses that Macao has never seemed the same place to him since the departure of that great enthusiast, Lieut. da Costa. Although he is certain that some people will consider him optimistic, he thinks highly of Hong Kong's chances to-day. If it had been possible for the finest Indian Army players to travel, he has little doubt that Hong Kong would have won with the greatest of ease.

#### MOTOR-CYCLIST

THE Hong Kong team, as selected "he concluded, is the best available, and I have no doubt that even if they are beaten they will put up a good game."

HUSSAIN has been so bound up with hockey that he has had little time for other recreations, but he has always been a keen motor-cyclist and a few years ago his figure, astride a speedy machine, was a familiar figure on the New Territories Road. Nowadays, however, as a comparatively newly-married man, he eschews this form of amusement and hockey remains his one big sports interest.

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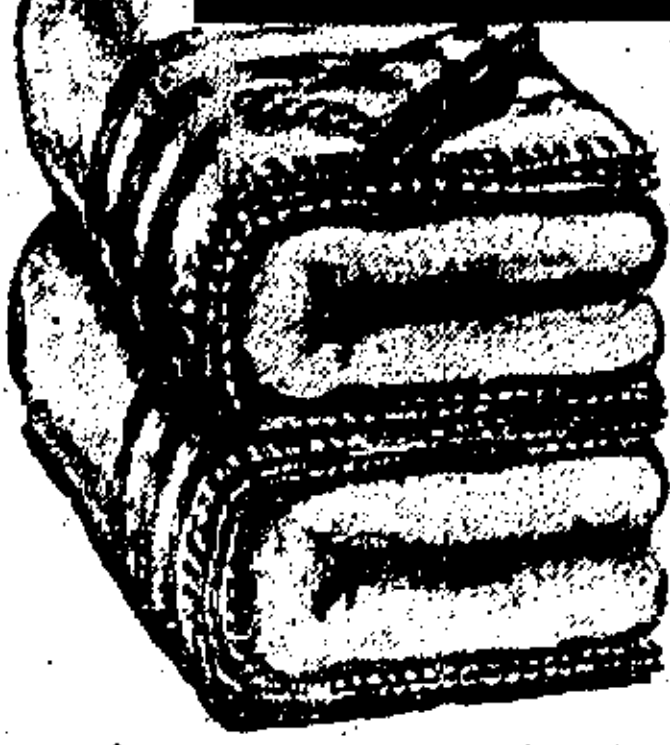
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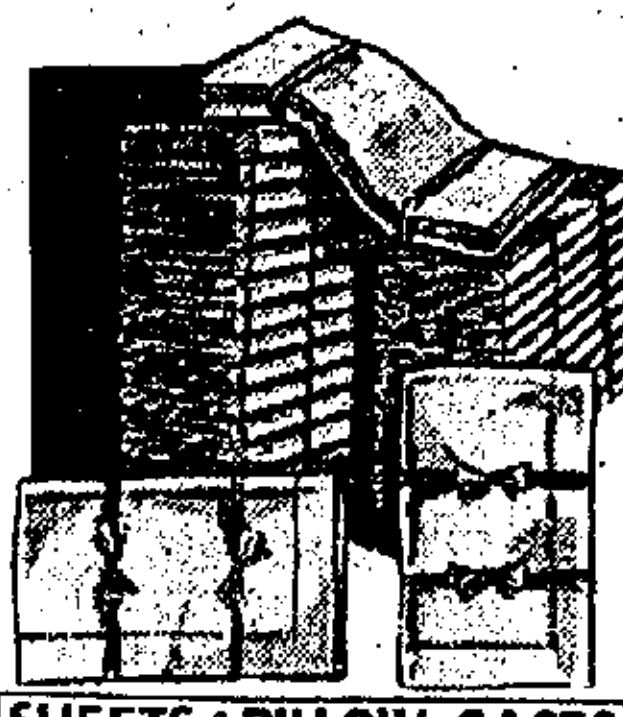
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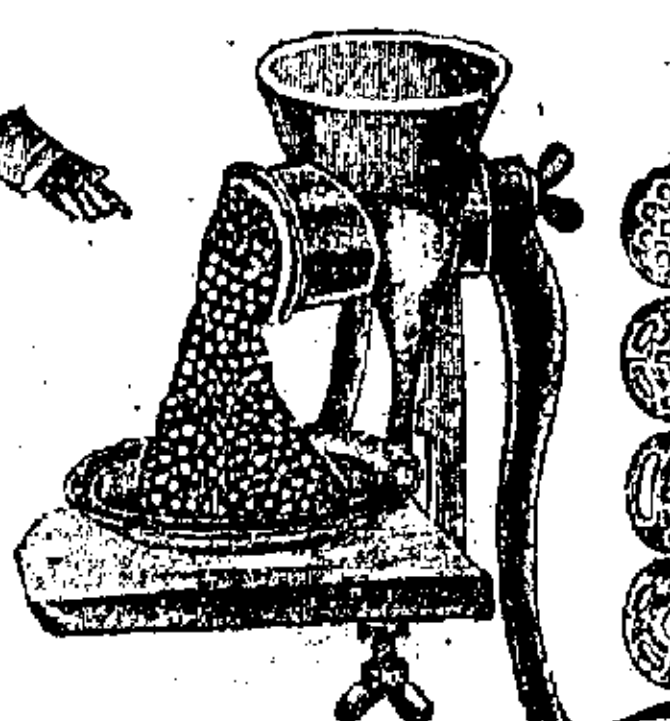
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# MR. MATSUOKA LEAVING FOR BERLIN TO-DAY

## "Sign Of Lessening Tension Between Japan And United States"

### To See Mussolini As Well As Hitler And Ribbentrop

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS LEARNS EXCLUSIVELY IN WASHINGTON THAT JAPAN, GERMANY AND ITALY EXPECTED TO BE DRAWN EVEN MORE CLOSELY TOGETHER IN COOPERATION WITHIN THE TRIPARTITE PACT AT A WEEK'S CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD IN BERLIN THIS MONTH BETWEEN MR. MATSUOKA, THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER, HITLER AND RIBBENTROP, THE NAZI FOREIGN MINISTER.

Immediately following the conference Mr. Matsuoka will be received at Rome by Mussolini and will confer with the Duce and Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister.

Mr. Matsuoka, before returning, may also see Stalin and Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissar, in Moscow, and possibly Marshal Petain in Vichy, but neither of these visits is so far on the programme.

### Turkey's Firm Stand

Turkey continues to maintain a firm stand in the face of the latest developments in the Balkans.

The newspapers are strong in warning against any concession to German blandishments. "When Germany comes this way," says one journal, "she will be met by an answer to her assurances such as she has never before encountered. Germany's aggressions have usually been preceded by the guarantees of freedom from German menace and Hitler has already started the same tactics in Turkey. We must not fall into the trap."

The Turkish press also issues a warning against Fifth Columnists. One paper says the whole blast of Nazi propaganda will soon be unleashed on Turkey and adds that Turkey must not fall in the German trap.—British Wireless.

### DRAUGHTY HOLES FOR JAPAN

Chief interest in Far Eastern affairs in the United States now centres in the visit of Matsuoka, the Japanese Foreign Minister, to Berlin.

It is thought to be more likely on Japan's account than at Hitler's dictation.

According to reports reaching New York, the apparent inequalities of the Berlin-Tokyo pact are probably the chief motivating reason.

WHILE THE PACT CALLS ON JAPAN TO GO TO GERMAN ASSISTANCE IF ANYONE ELSE ATTACKS HER, IT CALLS FOR NO GERMAN ASSISTANCE NO MATTER WHO MIGHT ATTACK JAPAN.

It is thought that Tokyo now feels there are draughty holes in the protective garment of the Axis pact, hence the necessity for the unprecedented suggestion that Japan's Foreign Minister leave the country for Europe at a time of obvious crisis.—Reuter.

### Warning Against Speculation

Mr. Matsuoka, in an exclusive interview with International News yesterday, declared:

"I expect to leave Tokyo for Berlin and Rome, via Manchukuo, Siberia and Moscow, on Sunday. I expect to see Hitler, Mussolini, Ribbentrop, Ciano and others in Berlin and Rome."

Mr. Matsuoka warned against exaggerated interpretations of the conference with Hitler and Mussolini.

"It is no sudden decision," he declared, "I am only now able to accept the invitation extended to me in September at the signing of the Tripartite Pact. The Thai-Lao-Indo-China peace conference in Tokyo held me back. Peace between these two countries being assured, the situation now permits me to visit Europe."

Mr. Matsuoka continued to say that at least so far as Japan is concerned the trip is a sign of lessening tension between Japan and America.

### Not Meeting Stalin

The Japanese Foreign Minister said that a meeting with Stalin and M. Molotov so far is not on his programme.

ASKED IF THERE WAS ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR SPECIFIC OBJECT IN GOING TO BERLIN AND ROME AT THIS JUNCTURE, WHEN THE AMERICAN-JAPANESE SITUATION IN THE PACIFIC IS STILL UNCLARIFIED, AND GERMAN POLICY AGAINST GREAT BRITAIN OFFENSIVE AGAINST BRITAIN IS SHAPING UP, MR. MATSUOKA AGAIN EMPHASIZED THAT HE WAS CARRYING OUT AN INTENTION HE HAD HAD EVER SINCE HE RECEIVED THE INVITATION TO VISIT BERLIN.

### Cabbages And Kings!

Asked if he will canvass the possibilities of a European peace, Mr. Matsuoka said: "We shall, I hope, talk of numerous things of mutual interest to the three countries and in which we can cooperate, but I doubt if before a decision has come in the war this would be considered an opportune moment to discuss a peace that is not yet at hand."

Mr. Matsuoka said he hoped to be back in Tokyo at the end of April.

It is understood that Prince Konoye, the Premier, is to head the Foreign Office in the meantime.—International News Service.

### Berlin Confirms

At the invitation of the Reich Government, the Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Matsuoka, will shortly arrive in Berlin for personal talks on cooperation between the Tripartite Pact powers. It was stated in Berlin yesterday, says Reuter.

### Gen. Ott Leaves

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Major-General Eugene Ott, Nazi Ambassador in Tokyo, left the Japanese capital yesterday for Berlin via Siberia.

He is expected back in 45 days, object of the trip ostensibly being to report to Hitler.

Ott was seen off by Japanese Foreign Office officials and the Italian Ambassador.—International News Service.

Reuter says that Ott will report to Hitler and Ribbentrop about developments in the Far East since the conclusion of the Tripartite Pact. He will remain three weeks in Berlin before returning to Tokyo.

While driving a hired car in Nathan Road yesterday afternoon, Private McGregor, of the Royal Scots, knocked down a Chinese pedestrian, who was treated at the Kowloon Hospital.

### AMAZINGLY SLIGHT LOSSES

While official figures are not yet available it is known that only 150 to 200 of the Imperial forces were killed in the Italian Somaliland campaign.

They include: South Africans, West Africans, East Africans, Indian and British troops.

Under 30 South Africans were killed. Smallness of the losses is attributed to good generalship, training, air force and artillery cooperation and armoured cars which demoralised the enemy.—Reuter.

### USUAL BATCH OF NAZI CLAIMS

Attacks on two "strong defended" convoys were reported in yesterday's German High Command communique, which claimed that a submarine sank five merchantmen with a total tonnage of 33,000, while German torpedo-boats, despite violent resistance, destroyed two British destroyers and six British merchantmen, with a total displacement of 22,000 tons.—Reuter.

### OCCUPATION OF ITALY BY GERMANS

INFORMATION REACHING me here from reliable sources enables me to give some account of the German occupation of Italy, which is proceeding apace, and of the infiltration of Nazi troops into North Africa, writes the Lisbon correspondent of the London "Daily Telegraph."

Latest reports estimate there are 300,000 Nazis in both the Luftwaffe and land forces in Italy. Nearly two-thirds of these, including practically the whole of the land forces, are stated to be based on Naples.

A neutral there a fortnight ago reports there were signs of preparation for embarkation. Sicily is now virtually a German island, most of the Nazis there being airmen or ground personnel of the Luftwaffe. On the mainland, from Lombardy to Calabria, the Germans are in possession of a chain of air bases.

But Hitler's real grip on Italy has been achieved by placing German key-men in all ministries and organisations.

### Division In Tripoli

According to my information there are two German light-armoured divisions in Tripoli, whose object is not to attempt to recapture Libya but to endeavour to place a barrier between the British forces and Tunisia should General Wavell decide the time is opportune to push westwards.

The military position in Africa is such that Mussolini has been forced to place the campaign in the hands of a man broken in health who disowned the Duce's leadership and has resigned from the Fascist Party.

After the strong terms in which Graziani denounced his strategy the Duce must have been extremely reluctant to re-appoint him to command. He was compelled to do so by the lack of any other possible commander, all generals approaching his experience and ability having been captured by the British.

Mussolini appealed to Graziani to return to Africa but he is a man.—Reuter.

### COL. DONOVAN GOES TO DUBLIN

Colonel William Donovan, President Roosevelt's special envoy to Europe, flew from London to Dublin yesterday.

He was welcomed by the Eire Minister of External Affairs and the U.S. Minister, and later lunching with Mr. Eamonn de Valera, the Eire Premier.—British Wireless.

Col. Donovan spent an hour with Mr. de Valera before the luncheon party, which included Cardinal MacRory, Archbishop of Armagh.

Col. Donovan flew back to London in the afternoon.—Reuter.

### CHUNGKING EXCHANGE PLANS

FREE BUYING AND selling of foreign exchange and a free movement of monies appear to be part of the new financial measures adopted by the Chinese Government following the Central Bank's announcement that it will resume the buying and selling of foreign exchange in Chungking.

The daily buying and selling of foreign exchange rates of the Central Bank in Chungking appear to follow very much the market rates prevailing in Shanghai.

Therefore, while the Central Bank operations in Chungking will not affect the market rates in Shanghai and Hong Kong, their operations do bring about "black market" rates in Chungking, since the people in that city hereafter may sell foreign exchange at exactly the same rates which they would be able to obtain if they were in Shanghai.

Formerly, Chungking buyers of foreign exchange from private banks had to pay rates at least 20 per cent. higher than the rates prevailing in the Shanghai market.

While no official announcement has yet been made, it is understood the authorities are also planning to permit a free movement of monies.—Reuter.

### RATION RESTORED

THE FULL MEAT RATION OF 1s. 2d. IS AGAIN AVAILABLE IN BRITAIN THIS WEEK-END.

While fruit is scarce at the moment, vegetables are abundant and eggs more plentiful.

On Monday four ounces of butter will be allowed instead of two but the ration on all fats, including butter, will remain at eight ounces.

An advance of one penny to two pence per pound in bacon takes place on Monday when the new order restricting meals in hotels and restaurants also comes into force.—British Wireless.

### WEYGAND AT VICHY CABINET MEETING

(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") A message from Vichy states that Admiral Darlan has returned to Vichy from conversations with Pierre Laval and immediately after a meeting of the Council of Ministers to hear a report from Marshal Weygand.

Meanwhile, a decree issued by the French War Ministry in Vichy ordered the retirement of 34 Generals who were on active service before the surrender of France and the promotion of 34 Colonels.—International News Service.

### TOKYO FASCIST SHOWS COLOURS

MARKING THE FIRST major defection from the "all-embracing" National Service Association, Mr. Nakano, one of its executive directors, has resigned, says a Japanese report.

Mr. Nakano announced the revival of the Toho-kai (Eastern Society) as a political association devoted to "enhancement of the pure Japanese spirit."

Mr. Nakano, who has been an active nationalist, issued a statement in which he denounced the stripping of the "political character" from the National Service Association, which had become an "auxiliary organ of the Government."

Although the political parties have been dissolved in Japan their remnants are still engaged in activities retaining their past character, while some of their members are engaged in deep and mysterious plots, Mr. Nakano declared.

"SOME EVEN DARE TO RUN COUNTER TO THE IMMUTABLE POLICIES WHICH HAVE BEEN DECIDED UPON BY THE ISSUE OF AN IMPERIAL RESCRIPT."

The statement announces Mr. Nakano's intention to serve the nation by "developing a political leadership which will march ahead of the Government."—Reuter.

### FEBRUARY AIR RAID VICTIMS

Figures issued by the Ministry of Home Security yesterday show that in the month of February 738 civilians were killed and 1,008 wounded in air raids on Britain.

Of the killed, 382 were men, 312 women and 91 children under 16.—British Wireless.

The casualties for February are much the lowest since the heavy bombing began, the number killed being not much over half those for January, which were less than half the December figures and compare with nearly 7,000 killed in September.—Reuter.

### NAZI WAR OF NERVES NOW IN FULL BLAST

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donian and Turkish frontiers. The Germans have taken over the telephone and telegraph systems in Bulgaria, and neutral correspondents for the first time in 30 hours were allowed to telephone news abroad as long as it was not military information.

While the Italian official news agency yesterday denied rumours of an armistice with Greece, German quarters in Berlin said the Nazis would invade Greece if she refuses to make peace with Rome.

### Will Choose Time

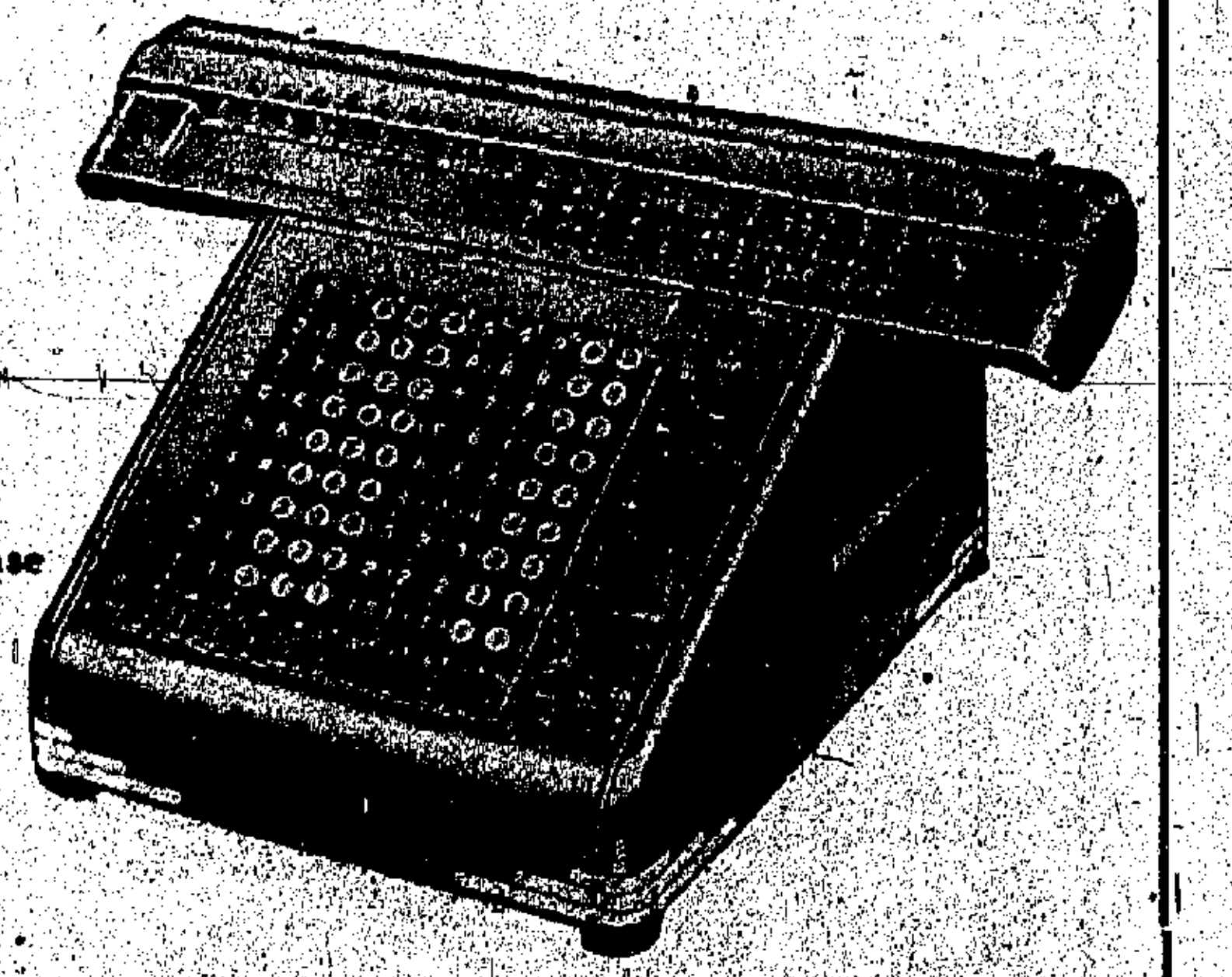
(SPECIAL TO "SUNDAY HERALD") Berlin official quarters yesterday stated that Germany will choose her own time and methods to deal with Greece.

These quarters express satisfaction with the situation both with Athens and Greece.—International News Service.

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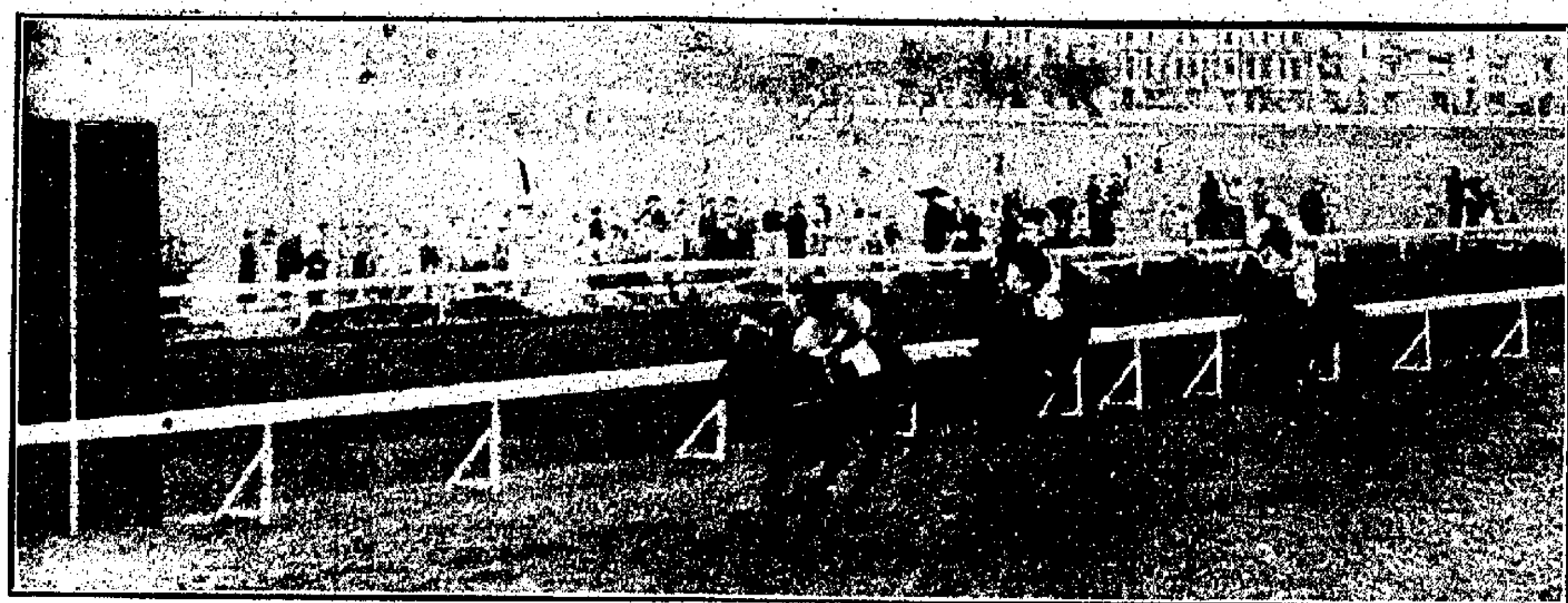
## Saturday's Racing



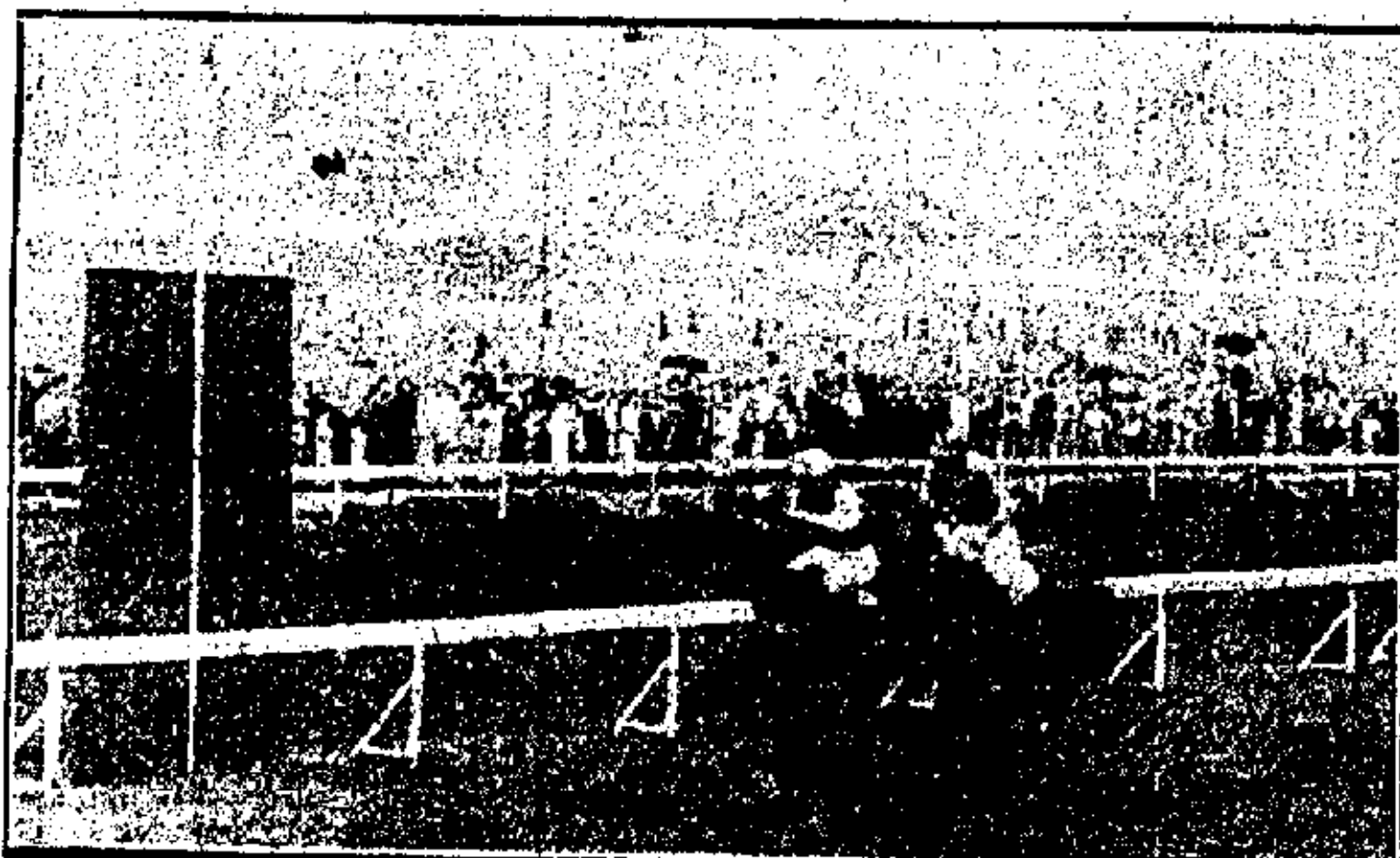
T.K.L.'s Hillsboro Bay (Mr. V. V. Needa) being led in after it won the Happy Valley Spring Handicap by a short head from Marber's Hughes (Mr. G. Trevorton).



Mr. Lew Reidy leading in Eve's Eve of Dancing (Mr. R. M. Wood) after it won the Tai Ping Handicap by two lengths from Eve's Eve of Folly (Mr. W. H. S. Davis).



Miss Li Po Chun's A Luxurious Time (Mr. H. J. A. Hearne) is seen winning the Caulfield Stakes by 3 lengths from Lan's Prairie View (Mr. H. C. Pih), with Why's National Courage (Mr. B. L. Tao) third. Vis Major (Capt. Sokoloff) was made the firm favourite for this race, but it came fourth, with Gay Fox (Mr. Poy), second betting favourite, fifth.



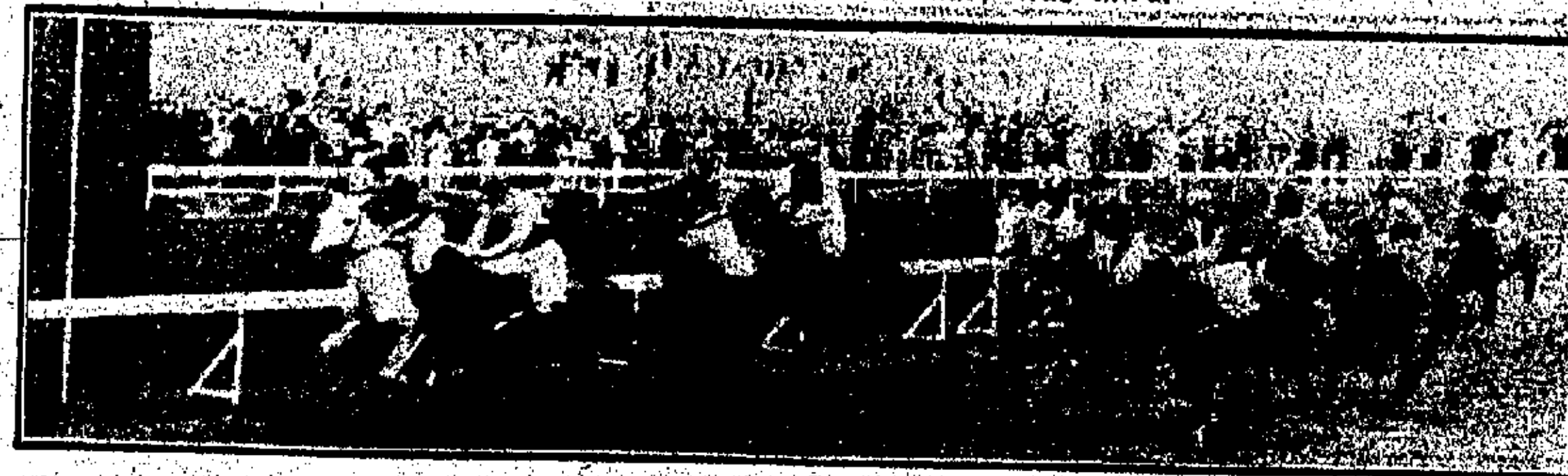
The Nil Desperandum Stakes provided a real thrill when Colene's Sam's Choice (Mr. D. Black) beat Charlesber (Mr. L. B. Chao), second favourite in the Derby and hot favourite for the event, by a short head in a most exciting finish, which brought back memories of the Grand S and Stakes in which Palber (Mr. Chao) won by a length from Sam's Choice (Mr. Black).



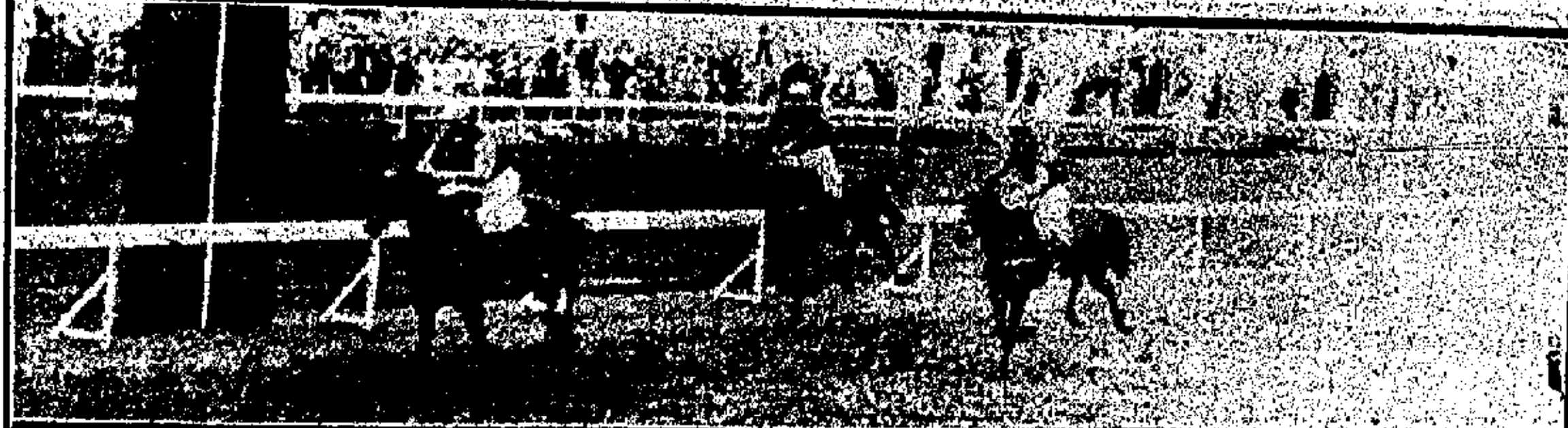
Seen at the Valley last Saturday were Lt. J. L. C. Pearce, Miss Joan Armstrong and Captain T. W. Chatley.



The finish of The Professional Cup and Australian Subscription Ponies Champions in which United Express is shown winning by three lengths from F. W. Lee's Jug Gentry (Capt. M. M. Sokoloff). Li Chi Choh's Happy Returns (Mr. L. B. Chao) was third.



Eighteen runners went out to the post in the Happy Valley Spring Handicap and Jennher (Mr. Chao) was most in demand, with Hillsboro Bay (Mr. Needa) second in the betting order. At the mile post it was anyone's race, but 60 yards from the post Hughes (Mr. G. Trevorton) was leading with Hillsboro Bay catching it. The finish saw Hillsboro Bay snatch a dramatic win by a short head to pay \$2540 for its win, while Hughes would have paid almost three figures had it won. Marber's Lilliput (Mr. H. S. Chang) placed third. Some idea of the close finish may be seen from the above.



Mr. R. M. Wood graduated from the Novice Class as the result of his win on Eve of Dancing, the hot favourite, in the Tai Ping Handicap. It beat Eve's Eve of Folly (Mr. Davis) by two lengths, and Eu Tong Sen's Rose Jane (Mr. P. P. Boteh) was third, though Eve of Folly was later disqualified on account of its jockey being unable to draw the correct weight on weighing in. Rose Jane, therefore, secured second place and Galveston Bay (Mr. Nood), the second favourite which placed fourth, was third.



A Luxurious Time (Mr. Hearne), winner of the Caulfield Stakes, being led in.  
(At left)—Sam's Choice (Mr. Black) being led in after winning the Nil Desperandum Stakes. Charlesber (Mr. Chao) was second, and Iron Beauty (Mr. P. Y. T. Wei) third.

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## Value Of Soap Facials



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Every star in the room giggled because they knew that scrubbing is the primary rule for a good complexion. A woman can scrub straight hair, add false eyelashes, dress to hide figure faults, but no make-up in the world can entirely cover a blotched, unlovely skin.

Those of you who have doubts about the benefit of skin champons should have heard Anne's discourse!

"Many girls with bad complexions will say that their skin is so delicate they cannot use soap. I always wonder what they use when they bathe! The skin on one's face is the same as body skin—tougher if anything because it is constantly exposed to sun and wind. If your body can take it, your face can."

"I know," hastily said Anne, "that not every soap is right for every skin. But I do believe that there is at least one soap formula suitable for each skin type. A girl should make an intelligent selection."

"There's a right way to scrub, too," Anne grinned. "There are a dozen gadgets on the market to make facial champons easy and thorough—brushes, sponges, rubber mitts, liquid soaps. But it takes time to wash and rise your skin well."

"Girls blame the soap for the way their skin feels after a washing, but the truth is, they didn't

### Prefers Soap

"A lot has been said about removing make-up with cleansing cream in the middle of the day, this beauty expert continued, "but I find the perfect cleanser is water and soap suds! You see I went in for a 'delicate' skin once myself, and used only creams for cleansing, but my English mother wisely changed my treatment. I note that English girls with exquisite complexions scrub first and use cosmetics afterward—and that's what we should do too!"

## Perfect Figure Chart

JUST so you'll have some idea of measuring stick for your own figures, here are the average measurements of the famous Rockettes. These little dancers are supposed to have the most perfect figures of any similar group in the country.

Bust	32-33
Waist	24
Hips	34½
Thigh	21
Calf	13
Ankle	9
Head	21½
Neck	12½
Height	5 ft. 4 or 5
Weight	115

JACQUELINE HUNT in the Boston Sunday Post.

## Does she live in a House of Cards?

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## Danger: Woman At The Wheel

IN the course of a quarter-million miles of driving I have got used to jaywalking motorists. The antics of boys on bicycles arouse in me only a detached annoyance. Traffic jams no longer irritate me. But I am just as allergic to the clumsiness of the lady driver as I was the first time my pulled out from the curb into my path without signaling.

Yes, I know that according to statistics, women are involved in fewer accidents than men. But if you want to start a really hot argument, just mention that alleged fact to any male driver.

There seems to be no reason why women should not be as good drivers as men. As I see it, wheeling a car safely through traffic is child's-play compared to the intricacies of preparing a five-course dinner. Yet the woman who can make a salad, time a roast, keep the baby quiet, and listen to the radio all at the same time can't learn to back the car out of the garage without taking part of the door with her!

Granting that women are physically just as capable as men of driving a car, there must be some reasons for their ineptitude. One, I think, is that a man becomes traffic conscious at a much earlier age. From the time that he wobbles down the street on his first bicycle, he begins an education in the laws of safety that becomes part of him. The lady, as a rule, lumbers right from the ranks of the "jaywalking pedestrian" into her first car—and usually takes the worst of her habits with her.

A man learns to drive a car the hard way. No matter what, driving fault he may develop, some day it will get him into trouble and some offended driver will call his attention to his misdeeds in language no lady ever hears. Most men can remember pulling away from the curb at some time or other without looking, and grazing a taxi or truck. And who among us can ever forget the ear-burning embarrassment of having his immediate ancestry questioned?

When you're driving down the street, do passers-by turn to look after you—and make nasty remarks about women drivers? Here are some driving don'ts for ladies only.

tioned in tones that could be heard for two blocks? The lady driver never has the benefit of this profane method of instruction, and without it she wanders blissfully on her way, competent as a cow on a country road.

My contention is that there is too much courtesy shown to women drivers. Why, half the time the poor dears don't even realize that they are doing wrong! Most women have acquired the unconscious habit of taking precedence over men. This may be all right as far as subways or revolving doors are concerned. But it is entirely out of place on the highway, for it is often impossible to see whether the driver is male or female until after the damage is done.

Lady drivers can be divided roughly into three types. First there is the gay young thing who drives her father's car with what she fondly hopes is utter, but is better classified as just plain recklessness. She breaks most of the traffic laws with impunity, trusting to her entrancing smile to get her out of her frequent scrapes. As far as actual manhandling is concerned, she is a competent driver, and there is a fair chance of her becoming a good driver after a few accidents have sobered her down.

The second type is the drive-by-night workaholic who is entirely out of place on the highway. She is very nervous at the wheel, knowing what a fuss the master of the house will make over a crumpled fender. She is never known to drive fast, and can be recognized by the drowning man grass she takes on the wheel. She obeys all traffic laws with painful exactitude, and when caught by a yellow light in the

middle of an intersection is often known to stop and back up. Parking a car is one of the eternal mysteries to her, and she will back and fill for ten minutes to get into a space that would hold a ten-ton truck. Her case is not hopeless. If friend hubby could be patient with her and give her a little expert guidance, it is quite possible for her to learn to handle a car as deftly as she does a vacuum cleaner.

The third, and worst type is the domineering dowager. This lady, having ridden rough-shod over her immediate family for years, and having blasted all resistance of the ladies in the various clubs of which she is president, has developed a frame of mind

that would make any dictator look like Caspar Milquetoast. She clings to the centre of the road with a grim determination worthy of a better cause, and is never known to admit the blame for any mix-up into which her arrogant road manners may get her. Because of her mental attitude she will never become a good driver, and the only solution is for her to hire a competent chauffeur.

A lot of the trouble ladies experience in driving may be caused by high-heeled shoes. The average male, when in a tight spot, slaps his instep onto the brake, thus bringing the full power of his leg to bear. The lady, with her weaker muscles and high heels, makes an ineffectual dab with her foot, and occasionally has the nerve-wracking experience of having her foot slip off the brake onto the accelerator. For safe driving, low heels are a must in Milady's wardrobe.

The lady who never seems to get the hang of parking a car has very simple remedy close at hand. It is Junior's kiddie-car. This simple little toy that has scared so many shins in the dark hours of the night, steers and manoeuvres exactly the same as a car. A little practice rolling it into a small space will give a very clear idea of what happens when you back your car. Then go out and practice on the car, and—who knows?—someday you might experience the pure joy of backing your car into a tight spot with one graceful sweep of the arm.

A driver would have to be blind, deaf, and very dumb not to have seen or heard the many safety first rules that are brought to our attention so constantly, but here are a few minor Don'ts that are labelled "For ladies only."

Don't wait until you are right up to an intersection before making up your mind which way to turn. Decide what you are going to do away back, and give the driver behind you a break by signalling.

Don't drive any slower or any faster than the traffic around you; and remember that the best driver is always the most inconspicuous. Follow these rules carefully and you will give the men no opportunity to drive up alongside of you with that insufferably superior male sneer that says, as plain as words: "I knew it was a woman all the time!"

### SEVEN SAFETIES EVERY DRIVER SHOULD KNOW

By Jimmie Lynish.

#### World's Fair Dare-Devil Driver

1. How would you bring your car out of a skid?
2. How would you make a quick stop if an emergency arose?
3. What would you do if you ran into a curve too fast?
4. How would you pass another automobile on the highway?
5. What would you do in case a tire blew out?
6. Where would you put the best tires on your car—front or rear?
7. Would you turn the ignition switch off if your automobile accidentally turned over?

#### SEVEN SAFETIES

(Answers to Questions)

1. To bring an automobile out of a skid, turn the wheel in the same direction the rear of the car is skidding and step on the gas.
2. To make a quick and controlled stop, brake the car down to at least 15 miles an hour before you release the clutch, applying and releasing the brake at least three times.
3. If you run into a curve too fast, keep your left foot on the brake and your right foot on the accelerator, depressing the brake slightly and applying the gas all the way around the curve.
4. In passing another automobile on the highway, it takes exactly the same time to pass a car doing 50 miles an hour as it does to pass 10 automobiles parked bumper to bumper.
5. In case a tire blows out, no matter what speed you're going, step on the gas the instant you hear the blowout, pick up the speed of the car at least 5 miles an hour in order to bring it out of the swerve caused by the blowout. After the car is straightened out on the road, bring it to a gradual stop.
6. Always keep the best tires of your car on the rear. If a rear tire blows out it throws you out of balance much quicker than if a front tire fails.
7. Do not turn the ignition switch off if you accidentally turn over or collide with another car. Keep the motor running to prevent fire. If the motor is dead and the car catches fire around the motor, start the motor immediately and hold the foot accelerator wide open. The suction of the carburetor pulls the oxygen in, and the fire goes out.

### A BEDTIME STORY FOR CHILDREN:

## Strange Cap Rack

THE wind blew cold in the woods where Sammie the rabbit boy and his school animal chums had been playing the cap game. The wind blew snow from the three branches down on Sammie's bare head and made him shiver.

Of course Sammie, being a rabbit, had fur on his head so your children have hair on your heads. But for all his fur, Sammie's head was feeling cold when it had no cap.

Sammie had tossed his cap up in one of the forest trees. The game was to see which animal boy could toss his cap highest. But on his second try Sammie's cap disappeared.

"What did you say happened to my cap?" Sammie asked Jackie.

### Sneezes.

"I said a big animal took it," jerked the puppy dog boy. "It was an animal with tree branches on its head just like a hat. I don't know. Your cap stuck on the end of the animal's branches and he ran off through the woods with it."

"But I want my cap back!" cried Sammie. "If I don't get my cap back, I will—ker-zoo! Ker-foot! Ker-zoo!" sneezed Sammie.

"You will catch cold—that's what you'll do," said Sammie's sister Susie. She came hopping along from school just after Sammie's cap had so strangely disappeared.

"Why were you so silly?" asked Susie of her brother. "I wasn't silly. I was—ker-zoo!" sneezed Sammie again.

"Oh, what will Mother say?" exclaimed Susie. "Put something on your head Sammie, or you'll catch a dreadful cold!"

"I haven't another cap," Sammie said, holding his paws on his head to keep it warm.

Just then the wind blew some snow down out of an evergreen tree. A bunch of the white flakes landed on Sammie's head.

"Now Sammie has a snow cap!" laughed Jackie. Bow-wow! "But it's too cold!" stammered Sammie. "I want my own—ker-zoo! Ker-foot!"

"Oh, dear me!" cried Susie. "This is dreadful! Has no one an extra cap so Sammie won't catch cold?"

"He can take my handkerchief," said Billie Wagtail, the goat boy. "It's a big one. I'll tie a knot in each corner of my handkerchief and make a cap for Sammie. Then we'll help him find his regular cap."

### Ran Away

"You'll never find it! That big animal! With tree branches like a hat rack on his head, ran away with Sammie's cap!" said Jackie. "I didn't see anything like that," said Sammie.

"Nor I, nor I!" said the other animal boys.

"Well, I did!" barked Jackie. "The animal caught Sammie's cap on one of its head branches and ran back in the woods."

"I wonder what animal it was?" said Sammie. He shook the snow from his head, put on the knotted handkerchief, and the goat made for him and stopped sneezing.

"Come on!" called Sammie to his chums. "We must find the cap!"



"We must find the cap!"

rack animal! He must be here in the woods!"

Along the snow-covered trails hoped Sammie the rabbit. The other animal boys followed him.

"Dear me! What will Mother say?" wondered Susie Wagtail. Meanwhile, running through the woods was the strange cap rack. From one of its horns dangled Sammie's cap. And if the little boy stop tickling the snowball when it is trying to roll up hill into the golf cup, I'll tell you next about shaking norms.

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## Fashions Worth Talking About



Sheer grey wool made into a high-waisted, rippling skirt which buttons onto an eyelet embroidered waist, supplies lovely Frances Robinson with the beauty-aiding street costume. At left, the actress, featured with Jon E. Brown in Columbia's "So You Won't Talk," which is coming shortly to the King's Theatre, also wears a grey bolero, with revers and cuffs of embroidery. Her walking pumps, jump-sized envelope bag and hat are in navy and red. Miss Robinson's hat, centre, is of cream wool lace with a cluster of daisies and starched veiling. Grey supplies the major colour motif for the trim corduroy, velvet campus costume worn by Miss Robinson at the right, with her dark grey skirt topped by a light-grey shawlskin blouse and single-breasted velvet jacket.

## Correct Rounded Shoulders



GALE STORM of RKO Studio, demonstrates a bust firming exercise. Standing in perfect posture, she clenches her fingers and raises her arms in back as high as she can. Her head and chin are held high.

Since the American woman has become figure conscious, a firm, high bust line has been the fashion. As well it should, for if one stands in good posture with abdomen in and shoulders back, the bust line naturally is lifted to normal full position. For more appealing is the figure with a high firm bust line, slender waist and flat abdomen, than that with sagging breasts and a thickened waistline sitting on a protruding stomach.

Many girls wait and ask, "How can I enlarge my bustline?" or "How can I firm my pectoral muscles?"

Good posture is essential to a natural, firm bustline and that means all you girls with rounded shoulders must get busy and straighten them! Business women who sit long hours at a desk

## French Cherry Pie Truly Wholesome

FRENCH Cherry Pie is a dessert masterpiece to add glamour to any meal. And, glad tidings—this luscious pie is amazingly simple to make! Here's how! Start off with a flaky crust made after your own favourite recipe. In the rich Cream Filling, stud with cherries, then top with sparkling Cherry Glaze. Could anything so delicious be any easier? And just wait until you taste it!

### Cream Filling:

- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ cup cornstarch
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 cup boiling water
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup Gloria milk
- ¼ tsp. almond extract
- 1 No. 2 can pitted sour cherries

Blend sugar, cornstarch and salt. Add water gradually, stirring to prevent lumping. Set over boiling water and cook until very thick, stirring all the time. Beat eggs. Add milk. Stir slowly into cornstarch mixture. Continue cooking until mixture is smooth and thick, about 5 minutes. Cool. Add flavouring. Pour into unbaked pie shell. Cover with well drained cherries. Pour Cherry Glaze over all. Chill thoroughly before cutting. Yield: 10-inch pie.

### Cherry Glaze

- 1 tsp. cornstarch
- ¼ cup sugar
- 2/3 cup juice from canned cherries

Blend sugar and cornstarch. Stir in cherry juice slowly. Boil until clear and slightly thickened, stirring constantly. Cool before pouring over pie.

This French Cherry Pie is one dessert that is as good for you as it is good to eat! The Cream Filling, made with Gloria evaporated milk, is superbly rich and smooth, and nutritious, too—for it contains a goodly amount of whole milk nutrients plus an extra supply of vitamin D—the vitamin so important in the utilisation of the milk minerals in building bones and teeth. And with the fruit topping—there's a combination that's truly wholesome.

### How To Correct Round Shoulders

As round shoulders come from the abnormal stretching of certain back muscles and the tightening of front chest muscles, due to a poor slumping posture, it is necessary to exercise so the back muscles be tightened and the front muscles stretch to normal length.

#### Exercise I.

To tighten back muscles: Keeping your abdomen and hips still, bend your head as far back as you can, making an arch with the small of your back. Remember not to move your hips. Do this very slowly until you feel the muscles of your lower spine contracting. Relax to normal position and repeat exercise six times.

#### Exercise II.

To loosen and stretch front muscles: Stand perfectly still and grow tall from the waist. This is done by raising your chest higher and higher until you feel like a cocky pigeon. Your head grows tall at the same time as you stretch your neck upwards. It is hard, to describe in words but get up and do it. A marvellous feeling of relieved tension comes to your body as you stretch upward as far as you can. Relax and repeat six times. Gradually you will firm those hitherto unused muscles until they will hold your bust line high.

### Watch Posture

I suggest that you do these two exercises religiously for one month and every day of your life be conscious of improving your posture. Walk and sit and dance with a proud air. You want to be beautiful, don't you? Well, then show the world that you have a beautiful figure and that you are mighty proud of what nature gave you! Shyness or timidity are enemies to beauty—be proud in your carriage, my lassies, but becomingly humble in your heart!

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**THE** People vs. Traditional Arts should be the title of the gloriously free-for-all, to-hell-with-Queensbury-rules, bout which developed between music critics and other would-be judges and the theatre-goers, and which was launched immediately following the premiere of Walt Disney's new history-making film *Fantasia*.

Unexpectedly enough, the champion of the super-critical critics was none other than our old friend Dorothy Thompson who, turning aside for the moment from her defence of the rights of man, suddenly and in her best combative style, vowed that *Fantasia* shall not pass.

"It's Naziism, that's what it is," she wrote in her syndicated column. "All I could think of to say of the experience as I staggered out from the theatre was that it was Nazi. The word does not arise out of an obsession; Naziism is the abuse of power, the perverted betrayal of the best instincts, the genius of a race turned in black, racialised destruction and so is *Fantasia*."

The other side, led by critics who are closer to the public and more receptive to new popular forms of art, shugged equally as hard, even if it were gratuitously, in defence of *Fantasia*.

"The most original and provocative film in some time," wrote *The Times* critic, Bosley Crowther. "It is a creation so thoroughly delightful and exciting in its novelty that one's senses are captivated, one's imagination is deliciously inspired. In brief...

Mr. Disney and the Boys have merged high-toned music with Disney's fantastic imagery. From all this furor and artistic passion has arisen quite unmistakably the fact that a new form of an old art has been born, conceived of the union of the motion picture with classical music and wedded by fantasy.

For ages, ever since music became one of the seven arts, people listening to its strains attempted to visualise its meaning. Man always attempts to translate all sensations into visual concepts which he understands best of all. Few could ever arrive, however, at a common interpretation of the meaning of a musical passage. This may be the reason for such great ado and difference among the critics of *Fantasia*.

As on the opening night the curtain went up before a packed theatre filled with a highly expectant audience, one could sense the elements of expectation of the dramatic. After all, the union of Stokowski, the sublime orchestra leader, with Disney, the super-connoisseur of the popular mind, was unusual. One did not quite know what to expect.

Suddenly the lights began to dim. Somewhere in the background was heard the sound of musical instruments being tuned. Deems Taylor appeared on the stage to introduce the show. Then Stokowski's shadow dramatically ascended the podium, his white hair forming a vague halo about his head.

The music started. Bach's *Toccata and Fugue* was first. Brilliant colours burst upon the screen, lovingly mingling, uniting, separating into cascades of brilliancy. They kept in rhythm with music creating a mood of reflectiveness, dreaminess, reverie among the audience. The listener-viewer began to live the music.

The tone-colours were reproduced with such completeness as to leave the critics and the audience speechless. There was no precedent for the fineness with which one sound followed another, heard even to the ultimate decibels, the whole scale, the full tone.

Then Deems Taylor returned again to introduce Tchaikovsky's *Nutcracker Suite*. Again the music—gay this time, lilting, joyous. On the screen tiny fairies gently danced. Chinese mushrooms passed in unexampled terrestrial reviews. Animated leaves kept time.

Then followed the *Sorcerer's Apprentice* by Dukas. Here the sole "living" character of the two and a half hour film appeared. This was our old friend Mickey Mouse giving a superbly versatile performance. He clowned across the screen to the beat of music. There were no words, every action and every gesture, every expression was the reflection of Dukas's notes.

Stokowski's *Rite of Spring* came next. The earth was created in upheaval; prehistoric monsters rose from the chaos; the world was in travail. Here ruled sombre tones through which broke those of power and violence portraying the release of the new through the core of the old.

In Beethoven's *Pastoral Sixth Symphony* baby fauns and sleek Centaures (later to become the centre of violent controversy) properly braced and courtly, coyly prepared for amusement. Bacchus became gloriously plastered in the background. The woodlands lived and loved.

There was more, much more. In Puccini's *Dance of the Shades*, elephants and hippopotami performed. In Mussorgsky's *Night on the Bald Mountain*, skeletons, ghouls and imps whirled round. The closing Schubert's *Ave Maria* brought a note of reality with appropriate pictorialisation.

But it was not simply the colour, motion and music which enthused the audience on the opening night, and indeed, ever since. It was the manner of presenting the music through *Fantasia*—a new departure in the world of films. For *Fantasia* is not simply another more intricately designed film.

The fruit of an idea born in Disney's mind over two years ago when he began making a short based upon Dukas's *Sorcerer's Apprentice* starring Mickey Mouse, *Fantasia* became a full-length feature based upon the world's best music.

Disney selected two men to help him—Stokowski and Deems Taylor. Together they discussed the idea for months. Stokowski was chosen because to the mass mind of the movie-goer he represented the best "populariser" of classical music. Taylor joined the other two because he was the major interpreter of classic to the masses.

The film costing \$2,000,000 is one of the most expensive ever made. The recording of the music alone took over two months mainly due to the intricate new system of recording the sound on eight separate sound tracks, one for each section of the orchestra. A ninth recorded the composite sound while a tenth registered the rhythm later used to synchronise music and film.

The music was recorded by the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra in Philadelphia. Back in California the sound tracks were edited down to three, and a control track. The latter was a complete innovation. It controlled not only the volume of the sound, but also directed sounds into a series of loud speakers located in the audience, over and under the seats, on the balconies, and in the back of the orchestra.

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Disney's art is native American. It is an important contribution to the world's culture. To-day it interpreters composers of all nations. To-morrow, it may be, it will encourage the rise of young American composers to serve this fantastic art whose possibilities are so immense as to be immeasurable.

Let Dorothy Thompson and others of her school of thought be less destructive. Disney should be helped along by constructive criticism. Nothing else will do. He knows his public and he understands his medium. One cannot but agree with him that "maybe there'll be a few concert goers who will take exception to our conception of the music, but they're a minority. To millions of people who've always thought of classical music as long-haired and arty, it may reveal some of the excitement of listening to the great composers."

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CROSS TALK—Even the Goliath Herons at the London Zoo have their troubles. Here are two of them during a domestic quarrel. (Fox Photos, Copyright.)

Due to this new system of sound projection—*Fantasia*—the film must be run on special projectors and needs a completely different set of sound equipment costing some \$30,000. For this reason the film will be shown by twelve touring road "companies." It may be that not for years, if ever, will small neighbourhood theatres be able to present *Fantasia*.

Nearly 450,000 feet of film were made during the two years of intensive work. The finished product contains only 18,000, still considerably longer than the average.

Disney is certain that *Fantasia* has made history. "It is timeless," he says. "It may run ten, twenty or thirty years. It may run after me gone. *Fantasia* is an idea in itself. I can never build another *Fantasia*. I can improve. I can elaborate. That's all."

Perhaps that is enough. The film has opened the pathways to a new form of an established art. What follows will inevitably be better, will certainly improve, just as the coloured film was an inevitable improvement over the black and white and the sound film over the silent.

*Fantasia* has discarded the conventional approaches to the motion picture. It has left the realm of approximation of reality, to wander in the fields of imagination. And this is important, for good music and fine art can best be understood in terms of imagery.

Undoubtedly, there are passages in *Fantasia*, which are not so good, perhaps even second rate. Dorothy Thompson puts her view of these quite strongly: "I felt," she says in relating her experiences at the theatre, "as though I had been subjected to an attempt, to an assault, but I had no desire to throw myself in abeyance before the two masters who were responsible for the brutalisation of sensibility in this remarkable nightmare."

Other critics are much more charitable, more helpful, more delectably constructive. They agree that in some respects the action on the screen detracts from the full appreciation of the music or that the music prevents extraction of the full content of the film. They appreciate that there are still some imperfections in the sound. But they know that "Disney still has many problems to lick" and admit that *Fantasia* is a frank experiment.

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## JEST-A-MINUTE

**TOO TRUE**  
It's better for a girl to have a big bad wolf in front of her house than a little bitty bear behind!

**REGRETFUL**  
A lot of trials have ended with the defendant wishing unrequited lover had passed as unrequited love.

**THE CURE**  
"I've been in a terrible state of consternation for the past three days."  
"Did you ever try bran?"

**THAT'S LARN 'IM**  
"What did she say when you told her you knew practically nothing about kissing?"  
"Turn out the light and let this be a lesson to you!"

**EMBARRASSING**  
When two persons are thinking of the same thing you call it mental telepathy, unless they happen to be of the opposite sex, and then it's just plain embarrassment.

**HELP!**  
"Is this the Salvation Army?"  
"Yes."  
"Do you save bad women?"  
"Yes."  
"Well, save me a couple for Saturday night."

**MAE WEST PROBLEMS**  
"And what's all this?" asked the professor of the student who laboured on a mass of papers. "These are my Mae West problems," explained the student. "Yes—I done 'em wrong."

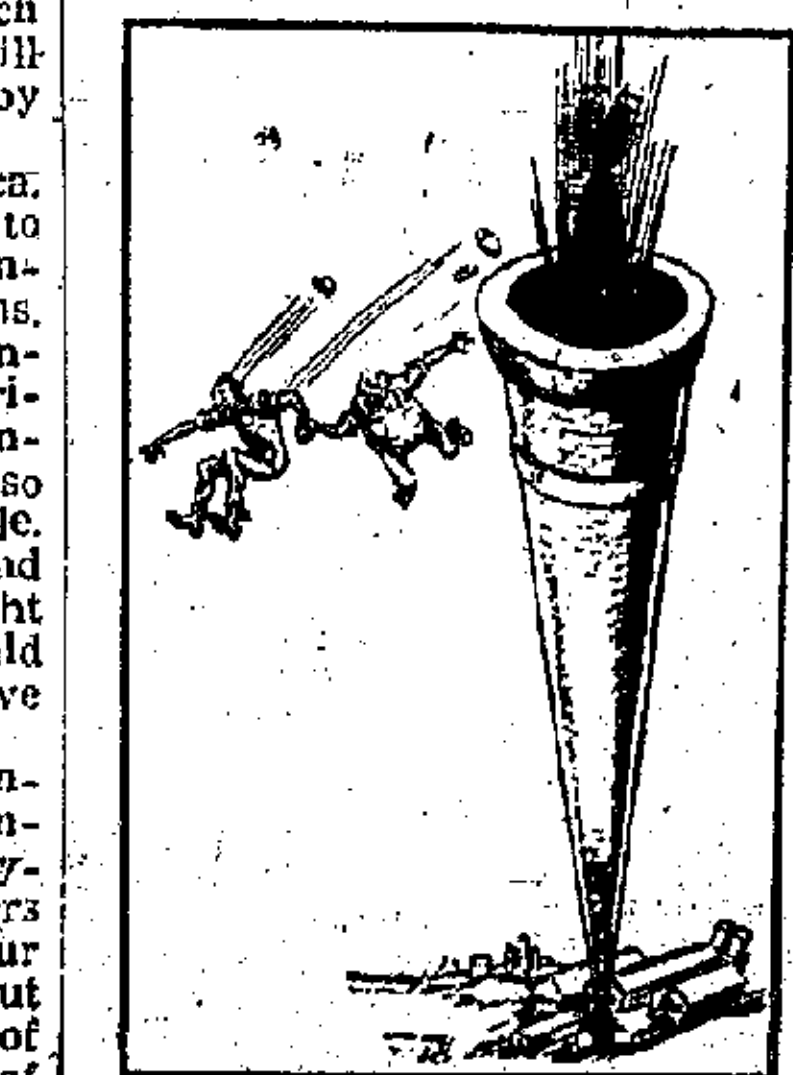
**MISUNDERSTANDING**  
The British aviator had just returned from a raid into enemy territory. "Why are you back so late?" asked the commanding officer. "I misunderstood instructions, sir, and pushed the leaders under people's doors."

**TIME'S UP**  
A middle-aged volunteer called to see his doctor. He explained that he had recently been out several times on special night duty and feared that he must have caught a chill in his liver. The doctor applied his stethoscope to the patient's back and after listening for a few moments, took out his watch and waited.

The patient inquired as to what he was doing. To which the doctor replied: "If your liver doesn't sneeze within the next two minutes, I'm going to treat it for alcoholic cirrhosis."

**HE AIN'T COMPANY**  
The commanding officer watched with approval as the company of coloured recruits marked time in perfect unison. Then he faced the men squarely.

"Company, Halt!" he barked. There followed a silence punctuated only by the feet of a lone recruit still marking away. The officer strode forth, briskly. "Private Rustus," he bellowed, "don't you hear my command?"  
"Yessuh, Ah heerd it, suh," grinned Rustus, "but Ah done bin heah mos' three weeks now, Cap'n. Ah ain't company no mo'."



"A good thing we jumped, Paddy!"—The Bulletin, Australia.



"Pardon, Madame, but your all is showing."—Judge, U.S.A.

**HONG KONG!**  
Old-Timer: "How do you like our little town?"  
Visitor: "It's the first cemetery that I ever saw with lights in it."

**THOSE ADS**  
Professor: "What do you know about Peoria?"  
Student: "Four out of five have it."

**REMINDED**  
Paul Claudel, the French poet and ambassador, when reported to be ill, received a sympathetic wire from a not over-tactful friend: "Distressed learn you are dying kindly remember me when you reach heaven!"  
Claudel replied: "Thanks for suggestion will make knot in my shroud."

## ELY CULBERTSON ON: CONTRACT BRIDGE

A very close penalty double is likely to defeat its own purpose. Particularly at match-point duplicate such doubles have a decided influence on the defence; that is, the close doubler, fearing a bottom score if the opponents make the contract, is obligated to play as safely as possible for a one trick set, whereas, if he had failed to double, he might adopt a line that would lead to a two or three card trick defeat.

This point is made clearer in the following hand:

North dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.  
Match-point duplicate.

**NORTH**  
S-6 7  
H-9 6 2  
D-A 9  
C-A 10 9 7 6 3

**WEST**  
S-Q J 10 2  
H-Q J 8  
D-K 10 8 4 3  
C-J

**EAST**  
S-5 4 3 2  
H-10 7 5 4  
D-Q 2  
C-Q 8 5 4

**SOUTH**  
S-A K 9 6  
H-A K 3  
D-J 7 6 5  
C-K 2

The bidding:  
North East South West  
Pass Pass 1 spade Pass  
2 clubs Pass 2 n'trump Pass  
3 n'trump Pass Pass Double  
Pass Pass Pass

Obviously, West's double was based entirely on "suspicion." He had nothing like the values to insure the defeat of the contract.

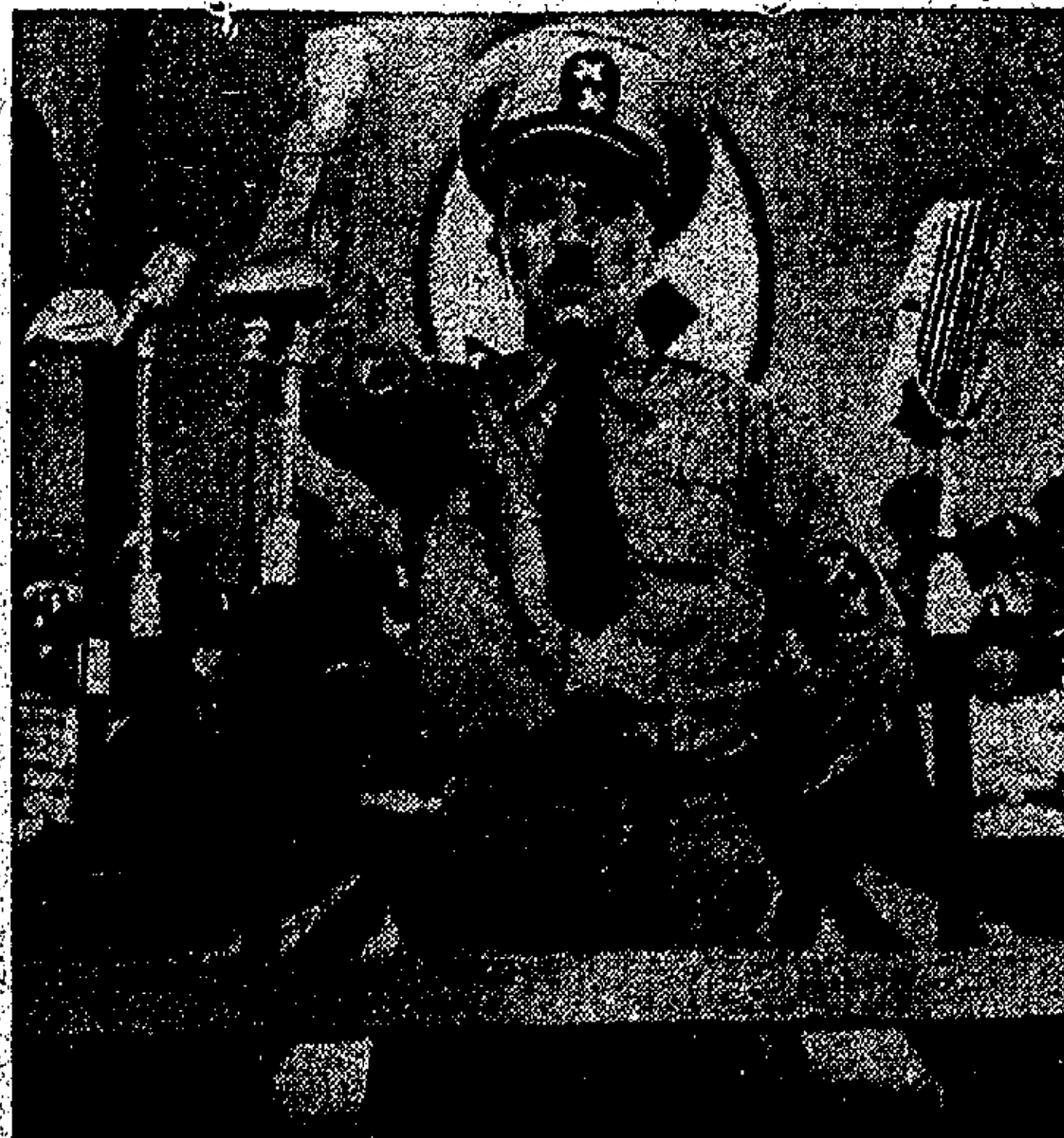
The fourth best diamond was the opening lead. Dummy ducked. East won with the queen and returned the deuce, thus taking out dummy's entry to the clubs. Declarer now led a low club to his king and returned the deuce to the ace, it being quite a blow, of course, to find West out on the second round. West discarded a diamond. Now the spade eight was returned and allowed to ride. West won with the ten and led back the queen. Declarer took this and laid down the ace, king, and a low heart. West saw what

was coming, that he would be thrown on lead and forced to return a spade to declarer's probable tenace, or a diamond that would permit the establishment of declarer's marked jack. But since even this eventually would leave East-West with five tricks (either three diamonds, one spade, and one heart, or two spades, two diamonds and one heart), West was afraid to try for greater profit. He realised that if East had the heart ten, West could afford to unblock the heart suit and thereby avoid being thrown on lead, but the fact that he had doubled deterred him from further experimentation. He knew that if he unblocked the heart suit and did not find East with the ten, and as a result declarer succeeded in fulfilling the contract, there would be bitter recriminations from his partner. Thus, West made no effort to avoid the throw-in play; he played the eight and jack of hearts on the ace and king, took the third heart with the queen, and exited by playing the king and ten of diamonds. Declarer's diamond jack thus became a trick and his contract was down only one.

At several of the other tables, where West had not been so optimistic about doubling, the same net result was obtained (a 200 point penalty merely by West's avoidance of an end-play. At these tables the play went very much the same up to the point at which declarer started to cash his high hearts. These Wests, however, not having undertaken the responsibility of doubling, took pains to "get out of the way." They played the heart jack under the ace and, when East thoughtfully signalled with the seven spot, completed their unblock by playing the queen under the king. Now the third round of hearts was won by East instead of West, and there was no way for the declarer to take more than seven tricks.

Thus, ironically enough, most of the East-West teams that did not double the contract did just as well as the one team that did.

## "THE GREAT DICTATOR" BROADCASTS



THE SOUND & THE FUHRER! Broadcasting in comparative privacy at a meeting of 50,000,000 party members and five



microphones (for those who couldn't get there), "The Great Dictator" says a few words with a couple of hundred gestures. "We've gotta have Lebensraum," he screams, and then pauses for a



double minute. Crossing his arms and popping his eyeballs, he goes on to explain that he's a peace-loving man and will kill any so-and-so who doesn't agree with him. Finally, he pounds his heart (if



any), and yells that next year there will be more conquests, more Nazis and more taxes for the Axis. Quite a hell storm!



# Nine Records Broken At King's College Sports



A new record was set by Liu Sin-chi in the Senior 1,500 metres event, when he returned a time of 5 mins. 19.2-3 secs. at the Annual Sports of King's College, held at the South China Athletic Association's playing fields, Caroline Hill, last Friday. Above is shown the competitors getting ready for the start.

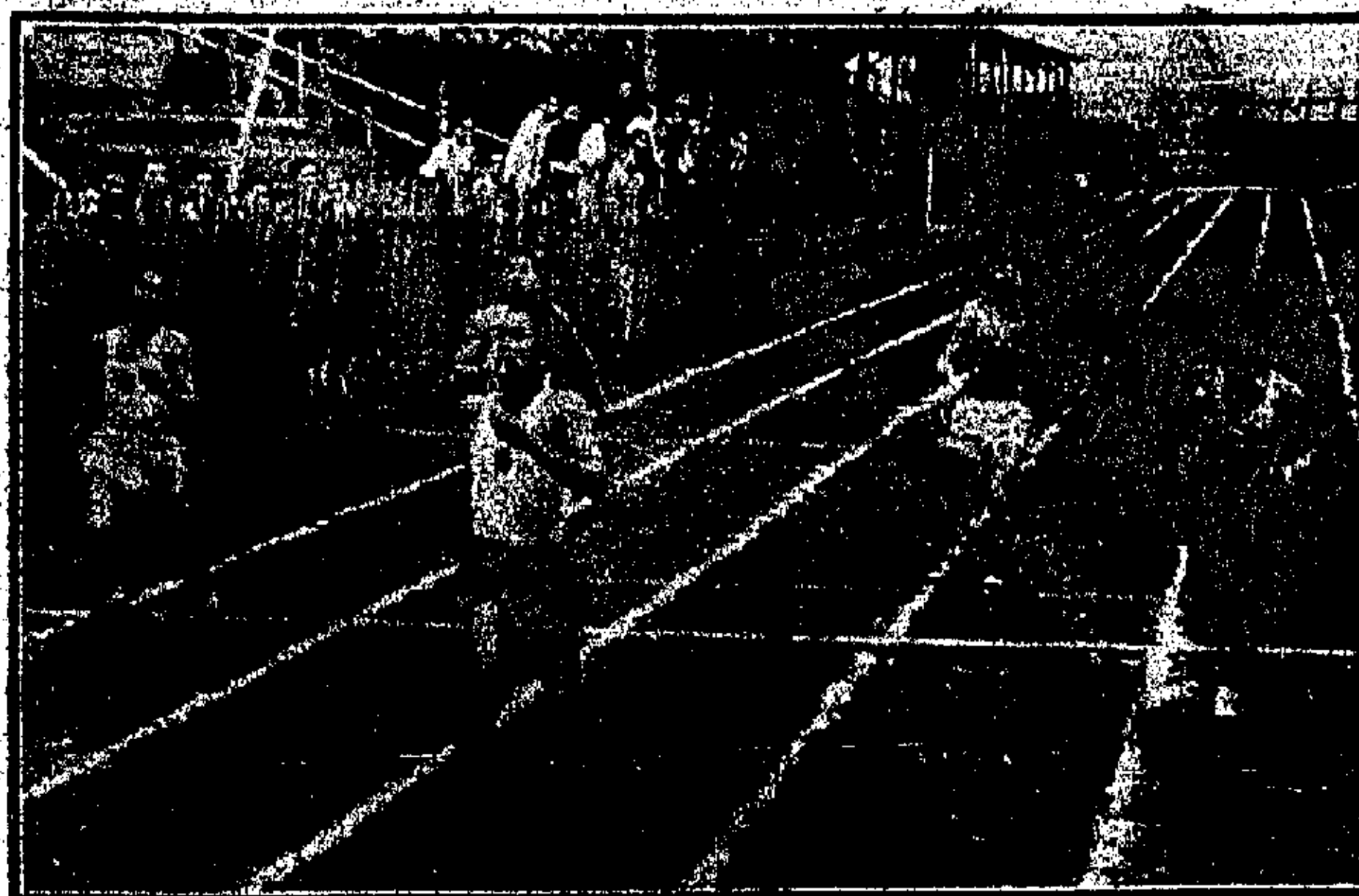


The St. John Nursing Division of the Y.W.C.A. at practice rescue work.

Spectators at the sports. The group includes (at extreme left) Miss Evelyn Gray, (sixth from left) Mr. M. G. O'Connor, principal of Queen's College, and (second from right) Mr. H. G. Wallington, principal of King's College.



The Y.W.C.A.'s largest project is the refugee camp on Lappa Island, opposite Macao. Here come 160 children are trained for industrial and agricultural work. Fish is made, and a camp mother is shown tending the fish, which is later sold to fishermen.



Siu Kwok-bun seen winning the 200 metres Senior event in 25.3-5 secs. He also set a new record in the 400 metres Senior by taking two seconds off the old record. His time was 58.1-5 secs. In the above event Wong Wing-keen was second, with Lau Chiu to third.



His Honour Sir Atholl and Lady MacGregor photographed at the seventh annual Children's sports meeting held at the Southern Playground, Wanchai, last Thursday. Lady MacGregor distributed the prizes which, instead of being cash prizes as has been the custom in the past, were food prizes, comprising tins of "bully beef", tins of fish and tins of milk. Also in the picture are Mr. and Mrs. Lo Tung-fan.



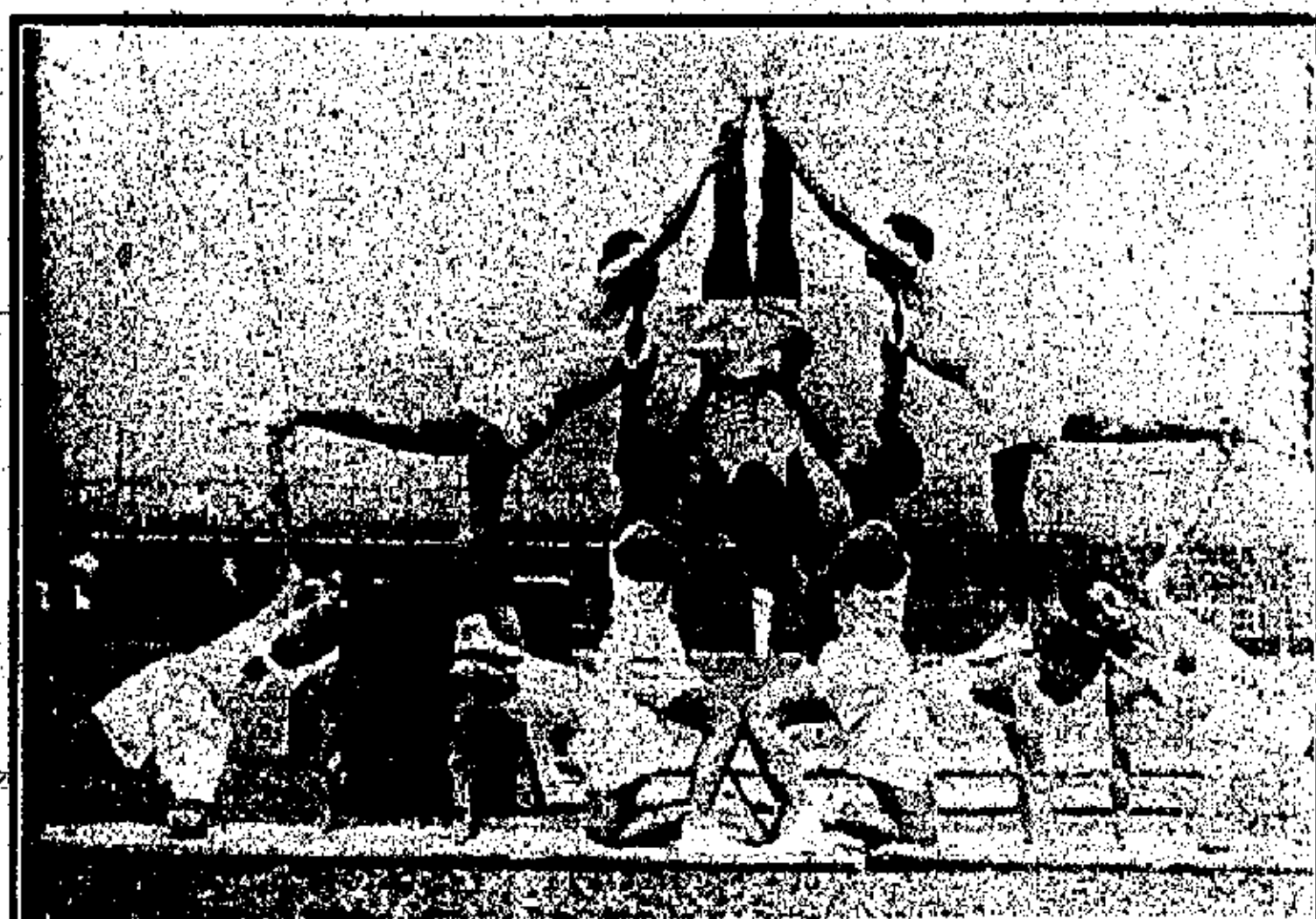
The three General Secretaries representing the three branches of the Y.W.C.A. who are holding the joint finance campaign in Hong Kong during the month of March. They are, from left to right, Mrs. Hoi-Wan Y. Chen, Canton Branch, Miss Teal Kwei, National Y.W.C.A. of China, and Miss Shin Tak Hing, head of the staff of the Hong Kong Y.W.C.A.



A camp hospital and clinic serves not only the refugees but surrounding villages.



The 1,200 metres invitation relay was won by Wah Yan College, with Queen's College taking second place. The winners, who are shown above, were clocked at 2 mins. 50 secs.



A feature of the Annual Sports of King's College was a gymnastic display, of which the above is an example of the prowess shown.

## Y.W.C.A. DRIVE FOR FUNDS

Forty-two thousand dollars is the goal set by the Young Women's Christian Association in their annual campaign to raise funds for the year's budget. The drive, which started on March 3, will last until April 2, and it is hoped that many sympathisers will contribute generously in order to help them carry out the many worthy activities in which they are engaged. Here on this page are a few representative departments of the Y.W.C.A.



The Industrial Girls' Department hostels furnish a real home at a very low rate, and also serve as club and night school centres for some 500 girls. A corner of one of the cosy hostels is shown above.



Classes given by the Y.W.C.A. Adult Education Department include Chinese cookery, home making, care of children, first aid and home nursing, health, English and Mandarin and music lessons. Above is shown a cookery class in session.

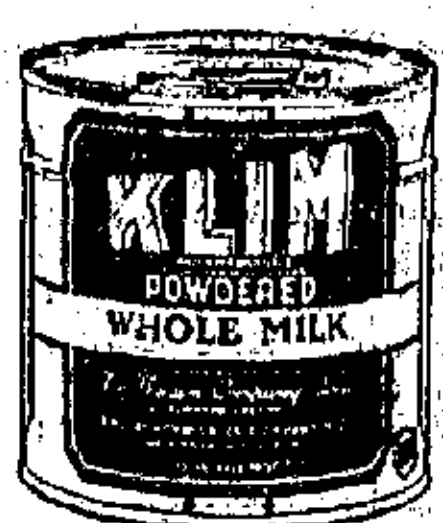


Children at the Y.W.C.A. refugee camp run their own bank where industrial and agricultural earnings are kept. The money can be spent on personal needs which are sold in the camp's own store.



Two war-time scourges—malaria and beri-beri—are being combatted in the camps. Bava bean soup, which has proved effective in building up resistance, is part of the daily diet.

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